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## ABSTRACT

Flaw growth behavior in roll diffusion bonded and adhesive bonded 2219-T87 aluminum alloy was compared to that in monolithic 2219-T87. Based on tests at 40 KSI cyclic stress, for equivalent cyclic life, an .004 interlayer laminate can tolerate a surface flaw twice as wide as in monolithic material, or provide an 8% weight saving by operating at higher stress for the same initial flaw.

Roll diffusion bonded material with three structural plies of 2219-T87 and two interlayers of 1100 aluminum was prepared with interlayer thicknesses of .004, .007 and .010 in. Total laminate thickness was .130 in. The .004 interlayer laminate was most effective and gave better results than monolithic material at 40 and 48 KSI. Flaws in roll diffusion bonded material grow to become through-the-thickness flaws.

Adhesive bonded specimens were fabricated of three sheets of 2219-T87 aluminum alloy bonded with METLBOND 329 adhesive. Adhesive bonded specimens gave longer lives to failure than diffusion bonded specimens at 40 KSI but at 48 KSI the diffusion bonded material was superior. Flaws initiated in one ply of the laminate grew to the edges of the specimen in that ply but did not propagate into adjacent plies.

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## SUMMARY

A prime consideration in the design of tankage for space vehicles is the requirement to prevent leakage or failure during the tank service life. Previous work has established that soft interlayers tend to blunt crack fronts and thus lower cyclic flaw growth rates.

In this program, roll-diffusion bonded laminated material and adhesive bonded laminated material both showed superior performance in cyclic life as compared to monolithic high-strength aluminum alloy material. The two laminates behaved differently in the presence of flaws. A flaw initiated in one layer of a diffusion bonded specimen grew to become a through-the-thickness flaw, while in the adhesive bonded material, the flaw grew in depth only to the thickness of the layer in which it was initiated and then grew to the edges of the test specimen.

The application to design of these two materials would require very different methods of fabrication. Designs and manufacturing procedures for adhesive bonded tanks were investigated. The feasibility of welding diffusion bonded material was demonstrated, welded specimens having strengths approaching the typical weld strength of monolithic material.

For equivalent cyclic life to leakage, a roll diffusion bonded laminated specimen can tolerate a surface flaw approximately twice as long as in a monolithic specimen. Again for equivalent cyclic life, starting with the same initial flaw, due to the higher stress that the roll diffusion laminate can tolerate, a weight saving of 8% over a monolithic tank is preliminarily estimated.

The first steps toward a quantitative assessment of the relative merits of laminated and monolithic structural systems have been accomplished. Further work along lines indicated by the results of this program is recommended.





## Section 1

### INTRODUCTION

This final report was prepared by Grumman Aerospace Corporation for NASA-MSC Contract NAS 9-12387, Evaluation of Laminated Aluminum Plate for Shuttle Applications. The report covers the period 8 February 1972 to 8 March 1973. Mr. R. E. Johnson is the NASA Technical Monitor.

The requirement for safe life for tankage for space vehicles, coupled with the need for minimizing structural weight, presents a formidable problem to the spacecraft designer. Inspection and test procedures designed to detect flaws larger than a specified minimum size, in combination with fracture mechanics analytical techniques to predict flaw growth based on the service environment, are the tools he uses to optimize tanks fabricated of monolithic materials. With the aid of data accumulated in many previous tankage test programs, the designer may specify tank life with reasonable accuracy.

One method of reducing tank weight would be to find a material that has similar strength-to-weight properties and the same resistance to service environments as the monolithic material we might consider, but one that would provide a lower cyclic flaw growth rate. The present study, which is in support of Manned Spacecraft Center's fracture control efforts, investigates the effects on flaw growth rates of soft aluminum and adhesive interlayers in laminated aluminum material.

It will be attempted to provide a quantitative comparison between flaw growth rates in monolithic and laminated materials. The interlayers may slow flaw growth rate but add enough structural weight to offset the advantage in cyclic life. A weight comparison of monolithic and laminated tanks designed for the same cyclic life will illustrate a weight advantage for either system.

Fabrication and inspection of roll diffusion bonded tanks are assumed to be similar to monolithic tanks. Bonded construction requires additional weight in splices and attachments but offers structural redundancy. Inspection techniques for bonded construction are quite different from those used for monolithic tanks and are considered to be more complex. Fabrication methods for the two different types of construction will be studied. Inspection procedures that might be applied will be used during the testing phase of this program. Shear wave and surface wave ultrasonics and eddy current devices will be tried on the laminated specimens.

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## Section 2

### PROGRAM PLAN

The activities of this program are divided into two main tasks: Materials Fabrication and Materials Evaluation. Subtasks under these headings define the work in greater detail.

#### MATERIALS FABRICATION

Monolithic material, roll diffusion bonded material and adhesive bonded material will be tested in this program. The roll diffusion bonded and adhesive bonded materials are specially prepared for this program.

##### Roll Diffusion Bonding

Roll diffusion bonded material will consist of three structural plies of 2219-T87 aluminum alloy and two interlayers of 1100 aluminum. Three interlayer thicknesses, .004 in., .008 in., and .012 in. will be supplied for this program. The roll diffusion bonded material is supplied by ALCOA in the form of .130 in. thick, 13 in. by 62 in. plates.

##### Adhesive Bonding

An adhesive bonded panel is to be fabricated at Grumman. Three .040 in. thick 2219-T87 sheets will be bonded using METLBOND 329 adhesive. This panel will be large enough to provide the number of specimens required for this program, approximately 3 ft. by 3 ft.

#### MATERIALS EVALUATION

The two laminated materials specified for this program will be evaluated to assess their applicability to space vehicle tankage. Their behavior at moderately high stresses in the presence of flaws will be determined experimentally. Fabricability studies will be mostly analytical, while weight and reliability studies will use data generated in the program tests.

##### Specimen Fabrication

A standard specimen configuration is to be used with both monolithic and laminated materials. This specimen is designed to minimize edge effects in the program data. Program specimens will be machined from the monolithic, roll diffusion bonded and adhesive bonded plates. Initial flaws will be produced by the ELOX process.

##### Material Properties Determination

Roll diffusion bonded laminated material will be compared with monolithic material in a three-phase test program. Phase I will compare three different interlayer thickness laminates with monolithic material at a cyclic stress of 40 KSI and with initial flaws one-third of the thickness deep. The best performing laminate will be selected for further testing in Phases II and III in which one-half thickness cracks and cyclic stress levels of 48 KSI will also be studied. Adhesive bonded specimens will be tested with one-third thickness cracks at stress levels of 40 and 48 KSI. Table 2-1 lists the specimen quantity and conditions for each group of test specimens. Flaw growth will be measured throughout the life of the specimen. Growth of a flaw to a through-the-thickness crack will be noted.

TABLE 2-1 TEST MATRIX FOR LAMINATED ALUMINUM COMPOSITES

| Test Phase              | Interlayer Thickness, In. | Number of Spec. | Precrack Flaw Depth          | Cyclic Stress | Data Required                       |
|-------------------------|---------------------------|-----------------|------------------------------|---------------|-------------------------------------|
| <u>Diffusion Bonded</u> |                           |                 |                              |               |                                     |
| I                       | 0.004                     | 6               | 1/3 thickness <sup>(1)</sup> | 0-40 ksi      | Flaw growth rate and cycles-to-leak |
|                         | 0.008                     | 6               | 1/3 thickness                | 0-40 ksi      |                                     |
|                         | 0.012                     | 6               | 1/3 thickness                | 0-40 ksi      |                                     |
|                         | None                      | 6               | 1/3 thickness                | 0-40 ksi      |                                     |
| II                      | To be determined from I   | 6               | 1/2 thickness                | 0-40 ksi      | Same                                |
|                         | None                      | 6               | 1/2 thickness                | 0-40 ksi      |                                     |
| III                     | Same as II                | 3               | 1/3 thickness                | 0-48          | Same                                |
|                         | Same as II                | 3               | 1/2 thickness                | 0-48          |                                     |
|                         | None                      | 3               | 1/3 thickness                | 0-48          |                                     |
|                         | None                      | 3               | 1/2 thickness                | 0-48          |                                     |
| <u>Adhesive Bond</u>    |                           |                 |                              |               |                                     |
|                         | 3 plys .040" thick each   | 3               | 1/3 thickness <sup>(2)</sup> | 0-40 ksi      | Same                                |
|                         |                           | 3               | 1/3 thickness                | 0-48 ksi      |                                     |

(1) Total specimen thickness = 0.130" for diffusion bonded specimens. Flaw depth shown is that obtained after sharpening of "elox" flaw. All specimens will have semi-circular shaped flaws.

(2) Total specimen thickness to be measured after bonding.

### Nondestructive Tests

Various methods of flaw detection will be evaluated during the flaw growth testing of the specimens. Surface wave ultrasonics, shear wave ultrasonics, and eddy current techniques will be used on the monolithic and laminated specimens. Attempts will be made to provide a quantitative measurement of flaw depth.

### Fabricability

The methods of fabricating tanks for space vehicles from laminated material will be studied in this subtask. Analytical efforts will be supported by pre-treatment evaluation of bonding methods, weld strength tests of diffusion bonded material, and formability investigations of adhesive bonded and diffusion bonded material. Weight calculations of proposed space vehicle tanks are presented for monolithic and laminated designs.

### Weight/Reliability Analysis

Data collected in this program will attempt to confirm a longer cyclic life for laminated material compared to monolithic material. If this is true then the laminated material could tolerate a larger initial flaw than monolithic material for the same cyclic life or for the same flaw size, operate at a higher cyclic stress. Estimates of the larger flaw size (reliability) or higher stress level (weight) benefits will be made.

## Section 3

### MATERIALS FABRICATION

#### ROLL DIFFUSION BONDING

Roll diffusion bonded aluminum plate for this program was fabricated by the Aluminum Company of America (ALCOA). Nominal interlayer thicknesses of .004 in., .008 in., and .012 in. were requested. Structural plies were of 2219-T87 material and the interlayers of 1100 aluminum.

Ultrasonic inspection, using an immersion technique described in Table 3-1, was performed on the laminated material. Local defects were indicated in two areas of one plate of the .004 interlayer material (Figure 3-1). The defects were sectioned and examined metallurgically. Figure 3-2 shows a contaminant at an interface between the 1100 and 2219-T87 plies. Figure 3-3 shows a delamination at an interface between the 1100 and 2219-T87 plies. After examination at Grumman, the sectioned defects were sent to ALCOA for their study. ALCOA's reply stated: "... the results of our metallographic examination indicate that the discontinuities at the faying surfaces were the result of highly worked metal oxides from the scratch brushing operation used prior to rolling. These oxide stringers can be more readily identified in the unetched condition. It is entirely possible that these unbonded regions would be detected ultrasonically. "

No defects were discovered in the .008 in. or .012 in. interlayer plates. In fabricating specimens from the .004 in. interlayer material, areas of ultrasonic indication were avoided.

Four 13 in. by 62 in. plates of each nominal interlayer thickness laminate were received. The thicknesses of each individual element of each plate were measured and recorded. Table 3-2 shows the results of these measurements. All plates had an overall thickness of .130 in. This means that additional interlayer thickness was obtained at the cost of structural material. The desired nominal interlayer thicknesses were .004, .008 and .012 in. As can be seen from Table 3-2, the actual interlayer thicknesses produced were .004, .007 and .010 in. For convenience, in this report, the interlayers will be referred to by their nominal designations.

#### ADHESIVE BONDING

Adhesive bonded panels required in this program were to be three layers of .040 in. 2219-T87 aluminum bonded with METLBOND 329 adhesive. Panel size was to be 3 ft by 3 ft.

Early in the program difficulty was encountered in obtaining .040 in. 2219-T87 sheet. A stock of .050 in. 2219-T87 was located and the decision to chem-mill this material to .040 in. thickness was made after discussion with Materials and Processes personnel failed to indicate any objectionable factors in bonding or fatigue life due to the chem-milling.

To establish that there were no detrimental effects on the 2219-T87 sheet stock due to chem-milling, tensile specimens were prepared from the as received and the chem-milled sheet. No degradation of the properties, as shown in Table 3-3, was noted.

TABLE 3-1 ULTRASONIC TECHNIQUE FOR INSPECTION OF AS-RECEIVED LAMINATED PLATE

A. Transducer

Short focus type with focal point set for the center of the laminated plate; frequency is 15 Hz.

B. Gain Settings (in terms of the % loss of the average return signal from reflector plate)

Scan 1 (low gain): 50% loss of back reflection

Scan 2 (high gain): 75% loss of back reflection

C. Water Travel = 2.23 in.

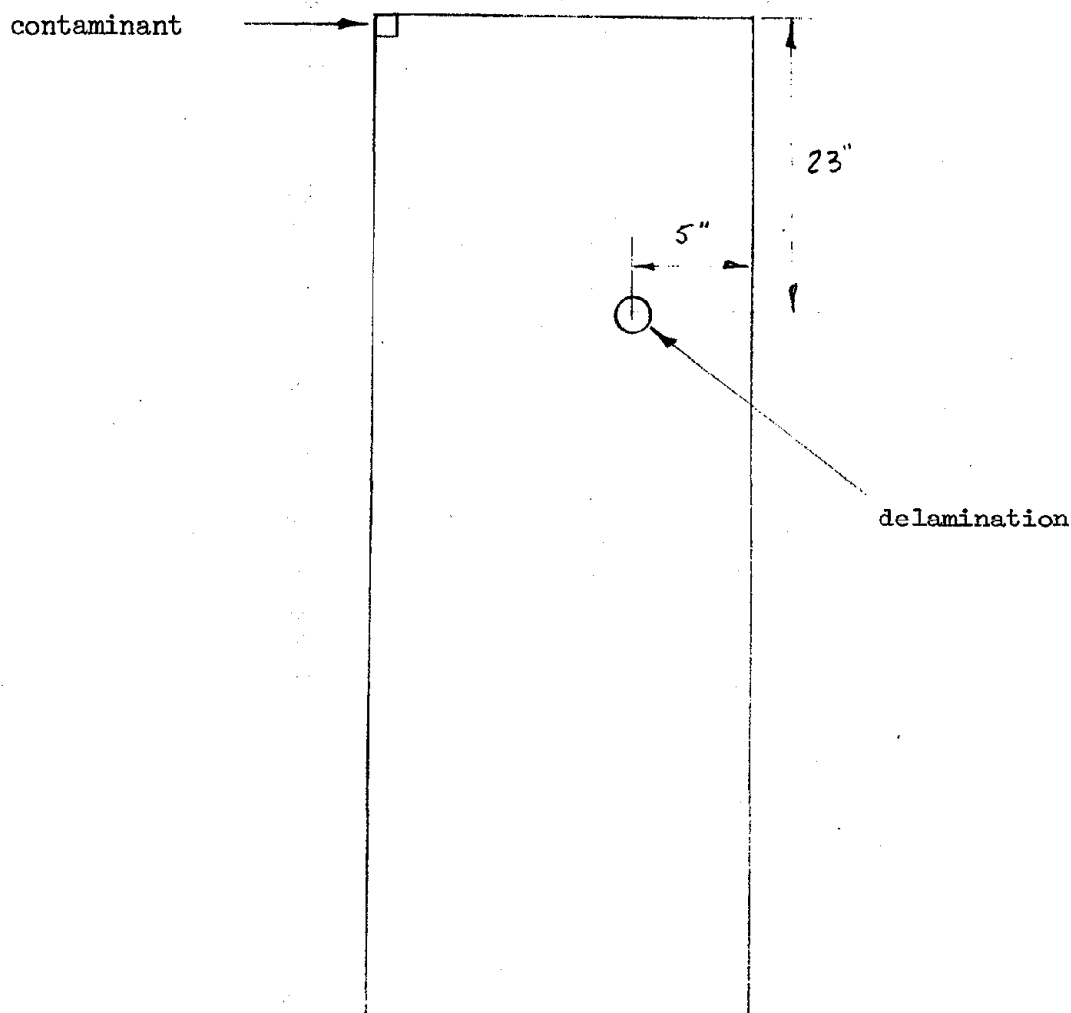
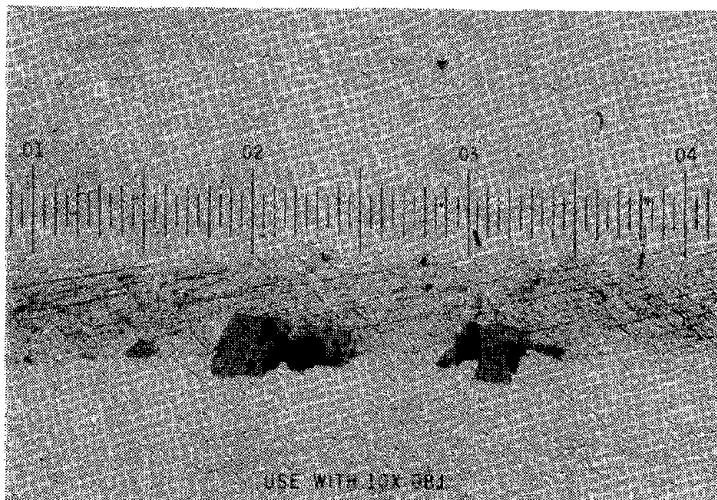


Figure 3-1 Defects Found by Ultrasonics - Location of Defects (Approximate Dimensions)

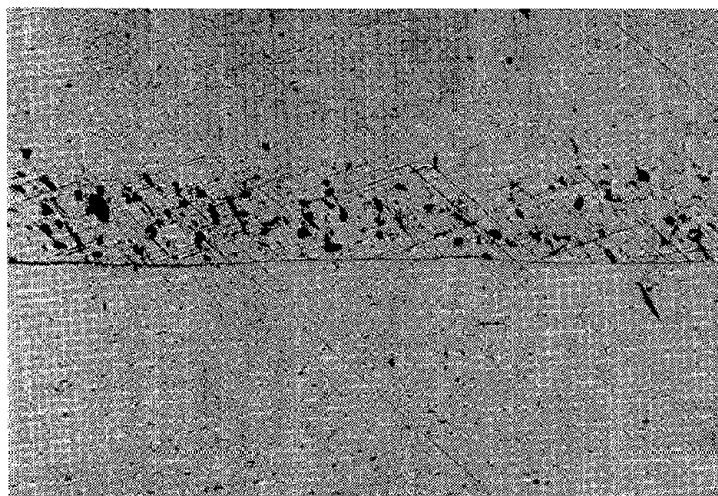


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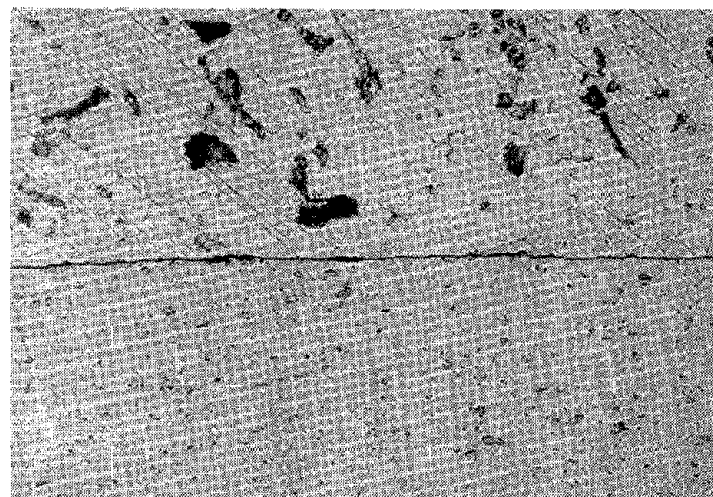


400X Magnification

Figure 3-2 Defects Found by Ultrasonics - Contaminant at Interlayer



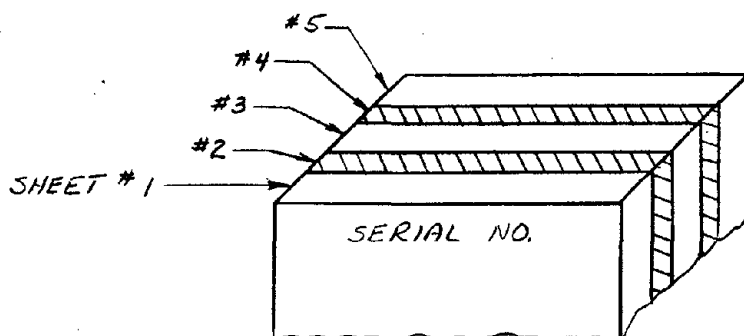
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Figure 3-3 Defects Found by Ultrasonics - Interlayer Delamination

TABLE 3-2 THICKNESSES OF INDIVIDUAL ELEMENTS OF ROLL  
DIFFUSION BONDED LAMINATED PLATES



THICKNESSES MEASURED AT ONE CORNER

(LAMINATED PLATE #)

|          | 353492-1 | -2   | -3    | -4   | Diagonally<br>Opposite Corner<br>-1 |
|----------|----------|------|-------|------|-------------------------------------|
| Sheet #1 | .040     | .043 | .041  | .041 | .040                                |
| #2       | .004     | .004 | .0035 | .004 | .004                                |
| #3       | .042     | .041 | .042  | .042 | .042                                |
| #4       | .004     | .004 | .004  | .004 | .004                                |
| #5       | .040     | .038 | .041  | .040 | .039                                |
|          | 353493-1 | -2   | -3    | -4   | Diagonally<br>Opposite Corner<br>-1 |
| Sheet #1 | .038     | .041 | .040  | .039 | .039                                |
| #2       | .007     | .007 | .007  | .007 | .007                                |
| #3       | .037     | .036 | .037  | .036 | .036                                |
| #4       | .008     | .007 | .007  | .007 | .007                                |
| #5       | .039     | .040 | .039  | .038 | .038                                |
|          | 353494-1 | -2   | -3    | -4   | Diagonally<br>Opposite Corner<br>-1 |
| Sheet #1 | .035     | .036 | .038  | .038 | .037                                |
| #2       | .009     | .010 | .010  | .010 | .010                                |
| #3       | .037     | .037 | .037  | .036 | .036                                |
| #4       | .010     | .009 | .010  | .010 | .010                                |
| #5       | .037     | .037 | .036  | .035 | .036                                |



TABLE 3-3 MATERIAL PROPERTIES, TENSION, AS-RECEIVED  
AND CHEM-MILLED 2219-T87 SHEET

|                                  | AS-RECEIVED |             | CHEM-MILLED |             |             |
|----------------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| Specimen Number                  | AR-2        | AR-4        | CM-2        | CM-3        | CM-4        |
| Grain Direction                  | L           | L           | L           | L           | L           |
| Test Section                     | .051 x .494 | .051 x .497 | .044 x .493 | .044 x .492 | .044 x .494 |
| Initial Gage Length              | 2           | 2           | 2           | 2           | 2           |
| Test Temperature                 | RT          | RT          | RT          | RT          | RT          |
| Strain Rate to Yield (in/in/min) | .005        | .005        | .005        | .005        | .005        |
| Ultimate Load, lb                | 1725        | 1735        | 1465        | 1480        | 1470        |
| Yield Load, 0.2% Off-Set         | 1350        | 1350        | 1175        | 1183        | 1170        |
| Gage Length After Failure        | 2.20        | 2.19        | 2.19        | 2.19        | 2.19        |
| Initial Specimen Area            | .0252       | .0253       | .0217       | .0216       | .0217       |
| Ultimate Stress, psi             | 68,450      | 68,580      | 67,510      | 68,520      | 67,740      |
| Yield Stress, psi                | 53,570      | 53,360      | 54,150      | 54,770      | 53,920      |
| % Elongation                     | 10.0        | 9.5         | 9.5         | 9.5         | 9.5         |
| E x 10 <sup>6</sup> psi          | 10.32       | 10.38       | 10.36       | 10.41       | 10.78       |

After the .050 in. panels were chem-milled, thickness measurements were taken across each of the panels. Locations at which thickness measurements were taken are shown in Figure 3-4. Thicknesses of each of the three chem-milled sheets are shown in Table 3-4.

The initial attempt to produce a 4 ft by 3 ft adhesive bonded panel was unsuccessful. Using the chem-milled 2219-T87 sheet described previously, a three-ply layup was fabricated according to Grumman manufacturing procedures applicable to METLBOND 329 adhesive. After curing, the panel was inspected ultrasonically by a Reflectoscope (pulse-echo instrument) and large areas of delamination were indicated. (See Figure 3-5.) Areas of defective bond were then examined by a Fokker "Bondtester" and again "poor bond" or "no bond" was indicated. The panel was then sectioned and the delamination indications were confirmed. Since the areas of poor bond indications from the Fokker "Bondtester" covered approximately 30% of the panel, provisions were made for bonding a second 2219-T87 panel.

Sheet material in the as-received condition and the chem-milled condition was exposed to the bonding cycle of the METLBOND 329 adhesive to determine the effect of the bonding cycle on material properties. Results of tension tests on the as-received and chem-milled sheet, shown in Table 3-5, indicate a reduction in "% elongation" in the chem-milled specimens as the only significant difference in properties.

Table 3-6 includes the average material properties of the as-received sheet, chem-milled sheet and both sheets exposed to the bonding cycle of the METLBOND 329 adhesive. Again, a reduction in "% elongation" of the chem-milled-and-bonded specimens from 9.5 to 7.5 is the most significant change. All other changes are on the order of 2%.

Before proceeding with a second 2219-T87 panel, a bonded panel using .040 in. thick 2024-T3 sheet was fabricated to verify the bonding procedure used. The finished three layer 4 ft by 3 1/2 ft panel was nondestructively tested using both ultrasonic resonance and pulse echo methods, and no voids were indicated. An important difference in the manufacture was the placing of a 0.250 in. thick aluminum plate on top of the panel layup before vacuum bagging. On the first attempt to bond a 4 ft by 3 1/2 ft panel, it seemed that the edges of the panel sealed before all the air trapped at irregularities at the center of the panel could escape. Placing the plate on top of the layup assures that the autoclave pressure will be uniformly distributed across the surface of the bonded panel.

The following procedure was used:

1. The aluminum sheet was cleaned per Grumman standard GSS-7022, in which a sulfuric acid/sodium dichromate solution is specified.
2. No primer was applied.
3. The film adhesive was cut and put in place.
4. The panel layup was bagged to the autoclave table, the bag seal was vacuum checked and then the table was transferred into the autoclave.
5. A vacuum of 20 in. of Hg minimum was drawn on the part.
6. The autoclave was pressurized to 45 psi using CO<sub>2</sub> and then the bag vacuum was reduced to atmospheric pressure.
7. Heat to 330°-350°F was applied in 45-60 minutes.

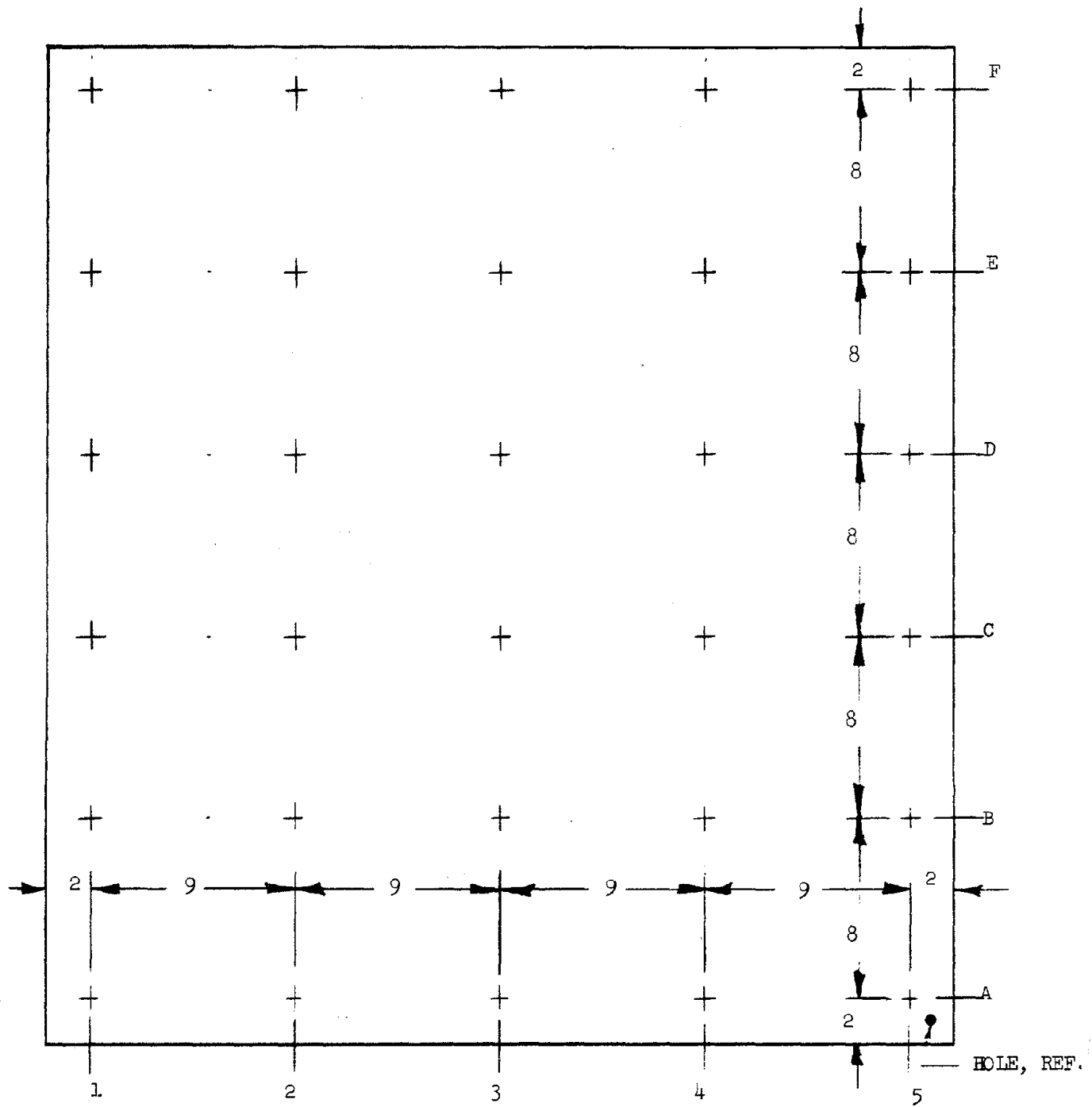


Figure 3-4 Coordinates for Thickness Measurements

TABLE 3-4 SHEET THICKNESS AFTER CHEM-MILLING, ADHESIVE BONDED SPECIMENS

| Sheet Thickness, in.   |              |       |       |       |       |       |       |
|--|--------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| Sheet No.  | COORDINATES* |       |       |       |       |       |       |
|  |              | A     | B     | C     | D     | E     | F     |
| 1  | 1            | .0430 | .0434 | .0435 | .0438 | .0436 | .0434 |
|  | 2            | .0428 | .0432 | .0434 | .0436 | .0435 | .0434 |
|  | 3            | .0425 | .0428 | .0430 | .0434 | .0433 | .0431 |
|  | 4            | .0426 | .0430 | .0432 | .0435 | .0435 | .0433 |
|  | 5            | .0427 | .0430 | .0432 | .0435 | .0434 | .0433 |
| 2  | 1            | .0427 | .0432 | .0432 | .0434 | .0433 | .0430 |
|  | 2            | .0429 | .0432 | .0433 | .0435 | .0433 | .0431 |
|  | 3            | .0430 | .0433 | .0434 | .0435 | .0434 | .0432 |
|  | 4            | .0431 | .0434 | .0436 | .0438 | .0436 | .0433 |
|  | 5            | .0432 | .0435 | .0437 | .0439 | .0437 | .0435 |
| 3  | 1            | .0431 | .0434 | .0436 | .0438 | .0436 | .0433 |
|  | 2            | .0429 | .0432 | .0434 | .0436 | .0434 | .0432 |
|  | 3            | .0429 | .0433 | .0434 | .0435 | .0434 | .0432 |
|  | 4            | .0429 | .0433 | .0435 | .0436 | .0435 | .0433 |
|  | 5            | .0430 | .0434 | .0436 | .0438 | .0437 | .0434 |
| *Layout of coordinates for thickness measurements is shown in Figure 3-4 |              |       |       |       |       |       |       |

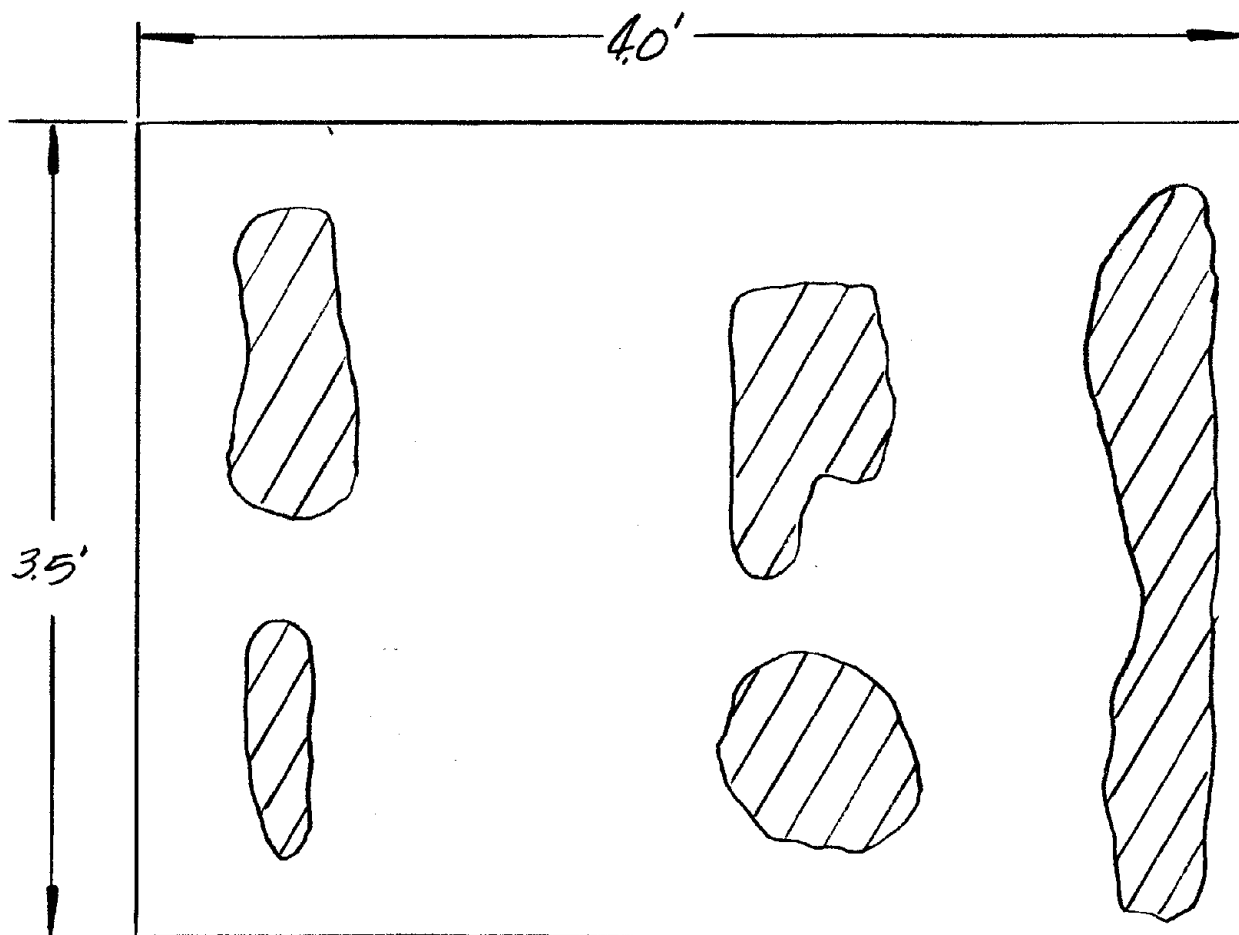


Figure 3-5 Void Indications on First 2219-T87 Adhesive Bonded Laminated Panel

TABLE 3-5 MATERIAL PROPERTIES, TENSION, AS-RECEIVED AND  
CHEM-MILLED 2219-T87 SHEET AFTER EXPOSURE TO  
METLBOND 329 CURING CYCLE

|                                  | As-<br>Received | Chem-milled  |              |              |
|----------------------------------|-----------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| Specimen Number                  | AR*             | CM-1*        | CM-2*        | CM-3*        |
| Test Section                     | .0505 x .506    | .0438 x .501 | .0438 x .503 | .0439 x .498 |
| Initial Gage Length              | 2.00            | 2.00         | 2.00         | 2.00         |
| Test Temperature                 | RT              | RT           | RT           | RT           |
| Ultimate Load, lb.               | 1735            | 1500         | 1510         | 1492         |
| Yield Load, 0.2%<br>Off-Set, lb. | 1409            | 1212         | 1221         | 1208         |
| Gage Length after<br>Failure     | 2.19            | 2.15         | 2.15         | 2.15         |
| Initial Specimen Area            | .0256           | .0219        | .0220        | .0218        |
| Ultimate Stress, psi             | 67,800          | 68,500       | 68,600       | 68,400       |
| Yield Stress, psi                | 55,000          | 55,300       | 55,500       | 55,400       |
| % Elongation                     | 9.5             | 7.5          | 7.5          | 7.5          |
| E (x 10 <sup>6</sup> psi)        | 10.5            | 10.7         | 10.6         | 10.4         |

TABLE 3-6 MATERIAL PROPERTIES, TENSION, 2219-T87 ALUMINUM SHEET, AS-RECEIVED AND AFTER CHEM-MILLING AND EXPOSURE TO METLBOND 329 CURING CYCLE

|                         | AVERAGE VALUES |                 |                               |                               |
|-------------------------|----------------|-----------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|
|                         | As<br>Received | Chem-<br>Milled | As-Received<br>Exp. Bond Cyc. | Chem-Milled<br>Exp. Bond Cyc. |
| No. of Specimens        | 2              | 3               | 1                             | 3                             |
| Test Temperature        | RT             | RT              | RT                            | RT                            |
| Ult. Stress, psi        | 68,500         | 67,900          | 67,800                        | 68,500                        |
| Yield Stress, psi       | 53,500         | 54,300          | 55,000                        | 55,400                        |
| % Elongation            | 9.75           | 9.5             | 9.5                           | 7.5                           |
| E ( $\times 10^6$ ) psi | 10.35          | 10.52           | 10.5                          | 10.6                          |

8. The heat was held at 340°-360°F for 60 ± 10 minutes. Cooled to 140°-150°F in not less than 60 minutes, maintaining 45 psi pressure on the part.

9. Removed from autoclave and allowed to cool.

Additional .050 in. thick 2219-T87 sheet was chem-milled to a nominal .040 in. thickness for fabrication of the test panel. Sheet thicknesses were measured across the three structural sheets as before. Figure 3-6 shows the locations of points chosen for thickness measurements. Table 3-7 lists the individual thickness measurements recorded. Average sheet thickness was approximately .043 in.

Cleaning, bonding and curing of the 2219-T87 panel followed the procedure given for the 2024-T3 panel, which is the Grumman standard procedure for bonding with METLBOND 329.

Ultrasonic resonance inspection of the panel indicated one small void area on one side of the panel. (See Figure 3-7.) Small areas of "heavy" bond lines, which would result in reduced adhesive strength, were also noted and are shown in Figure 3-7.

Test standards were fabricated for use in inspecting the adhesive bonded panel. The skins were 2024 aluminum and the adhesive was METLBOND 329. A two-step bonding process was used, and the thickness of the standard was measured before and after each bond cycle. Shims were used to obtain various bondline thicknesses.

The resonant frequency of the skin alone (.040 in. thick) was determined. This simulates a void condition. When testing a known bondline thickness of .006 in., a frequency shift of 35,000 cycles is observed. When the bondline thickness is increased to .009 in. the frequency shift decreased to 30,000 cycles. Further increasing the bondline thickness to .014 in. reduced the frequency shift to 10,000 cycles.

All bonded areas with a frequency shift of over 25,000 cycles were considered satisfactory. All areas with a frequency shift of 10,000 cycles to 25,000 cycles were reported as areas of heavy bondline. All areas with frequency shifts of 0 to 10,000 cycles were reported as void areas.

After machining the adhesive bonded specimens from the 4 ft by 3 1/2 ft panel, the adhesive bond line thickness was measured optically using a "profile projector" at 10x magnification. These measurements, shown in Table 3-8, indicate bond line thicknesses varying from .010 to .012 in. If we accept these measurements, and the total specimen thicknesses measured, this would call for total metal thicknesses (three sheets) varying from .1305 in. to .133 in. Summing the thickness measurements of the chem-milled sheets in Table 3-7 in the area B through E and 2 through 4, from which the specimens were cut, gives a range of .1295 to .1305 for total metal thickness. This would mean that the bond line thickness varied from .011 to .013 in. Greater confidence is given to the .011 in. to .013 in. bondline thickness estimate.



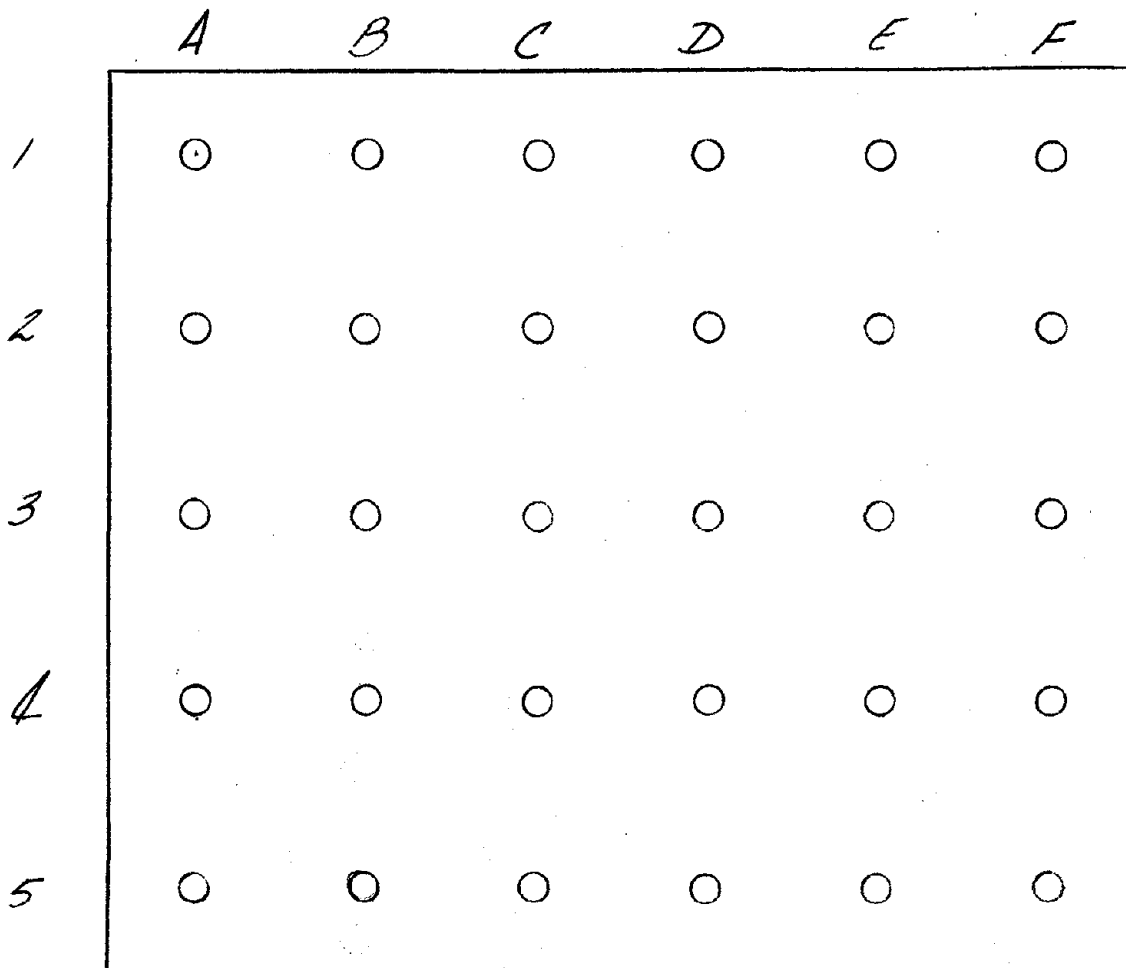


Figure 3-6 Location of Thickness Measurements on Chem-Milled 2219-T87 Sheet for Second 2219 Adhesive Bonded Panel

TABLE 3-7 THICKNESS MEASUREMENTS OF CHEM-MILLED 2219-T87  
SHEET FOR SECOND ADHESIVE BONDED TEST PANEL

| SHEET No. 1 |       |       |       |       |       |       |
|-------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
|             | A     | B     | C     | D     | E     | F     |
| 1           | .0431 | .0435 | .0437 | .0436 | .0434 | .0434 |
| 2           | .0435 | .0440 | .0441 | .0439 | .0436 | .0435 |
| 3           | .0435 | .0440 | .0441 | .0439 | .0436 | .0433 |
| 4           | .0436 | .0443 | .0442 | .0442 | .0439 | .0435 |
| 5           | .0439 | .0443 | .0442 | .0441 | .0438 | .0435 |

| SHEET No. 2 |       |       |       |       |       |       |
|-------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
|             | A     | B     | C     | D     | E     | F     |
| 1           | .0434 | .0435 | .0436 | .0433 | .0436 | .0432 |
| 2           | .0431 | .0435 | .0435 | .0435 | .0433 | .0431 |
| 3           | .0431 | .0435 | .0433 | .0435 | .0434 | .0430 |
| 4           | .0431 | .0433 | .0435 | .0434 | .0432 | .0430 |
| 5           | .0434 | .0434 | .0434 | .0436 | .0433 | .0432 |

| SHEET No. 3 |       |       |       |       |       |       |
|-------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
|             | A     | B     | C     | D     | E     | F     |
| 1           | .0424 | .0427 | .0430 | .0433 | .0435 | .0430 |
| 2           | .0424 | .0425 | .0426 | .0426 | .0425 | .0455 |
| 3           | .0426 | .0427 | .0428 | .0431 | .0428 | .0455 |
| 4           | .0426 | .0429 | .0430 | .0431 | .0431 | .0413 |
| 5           | .0428 | .0429 | .0432 | .0432 | .0433 | .0428 |

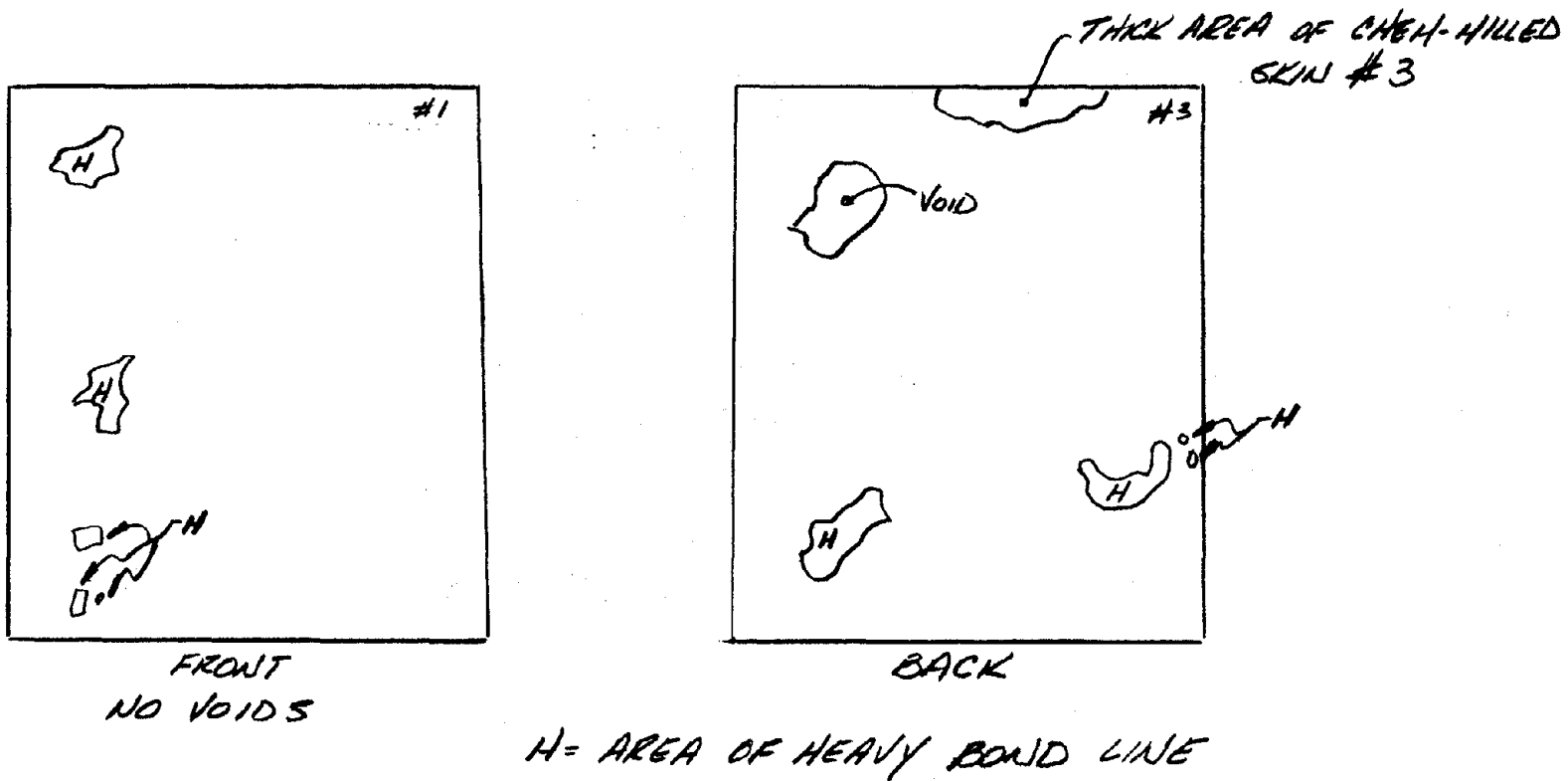


Figure 3-7 Ultrasonic Resonance Test Results, Second 2219-T87 Adhesive Bonded Panel

TABLE 3-8 BONDLINE THICKNESS MEASUREMENTS, ADHESIVE BONDED SPECIMENS

| SPECIMEN<br>NO. | TOTAL<br>THICKNESS,<br>in. | BOND<br>LINE #1,<br>in. | BOND<br>LINE #2,<br>in. | TOTAL<br>BOND t,<br>in. | TOTAL<br>METAL t,<br>in. |
|-----------------|----------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|
| 1               | .155                       | .011                    | .011                    | .022                    | .133                     |
| 2               | .153                       | .010                    | .010                    | .020                    | .133                     |
| 3               | .155                       | .012                    | .012                    | .024                    | .131                     |
| 4               | .153                       | .011                    | .0115                   | .0225                   | .1305                    |
| 5               | .156                       | .012                    | .011                    | .023                    | .133                     |
| 6               | .152                       | .0105                   | .011                    | .0215                   | .1305                    |

## Section 4

### MATERIALS EVALUATION

#### SPECIMEN FABRICATION

A total of 54 specimens was scheduled for testing in this program. Eighteen specimens were machined from monolithic 2219-T87 material, thirty were machined from the different interlayer thickness roll diffusion bonded laminates, and six specimens were machined from an adhesive bonded laminated panel.

Details of the fabrication of the roll diffusion bonded and adhesive bonded laminates are given in Section 3. For the monolithic specimens, .125 in. thick 2219-T37 plate was heat treated to the -T87 condition.

Test specimen configuration is shown in Figure 4-1. The 2.5 in. width was chosen to minimize end effects in the area of flaw-growth. Figure 4-2 shows the dimensions of the ELOX starter flaw, which was initiated in each specimen.

Care was taken to assure that the laminated specimens were flaw-free in the test area before the ELOX notch was initiated. The ultrasonic inspection of the roll diffusion bonded laminates described in Section 3 was repeated in the test section of each specimen after machining and before "eloxing." No defects were observed in this inspection. Similarly, the ultrasonic inspection of the adhesive bonded specimen was repeated after machining. In this case, one specimen, No. 3, contained three small (1/8 in. dia., 1/4 in. dia., and 3/16 in. by 1/2 in.) questionable areas of possible bond line porosity. It was decided to proceed with the test of this specimen, and it gave representative results.

During the course of the program, difficulty was encountered in producing sharpened flaws to a depth of one-half the specimen thickness in roll diffusion bonded specimens. Additional small specimens of the .004 interlayer thickness laminate were machined to the configuration shown in Figure 4-3. Tests on these specimens showed that an elox notch of .110 wide by .055 deep permitted controlled growth to 1/2 specimen thickness. Roll diffusion bonded laminates for Phase II and Phase III testing, which required 1/2 thickness flaws, were eloxed to the .110 wide by .055 deep configuration.

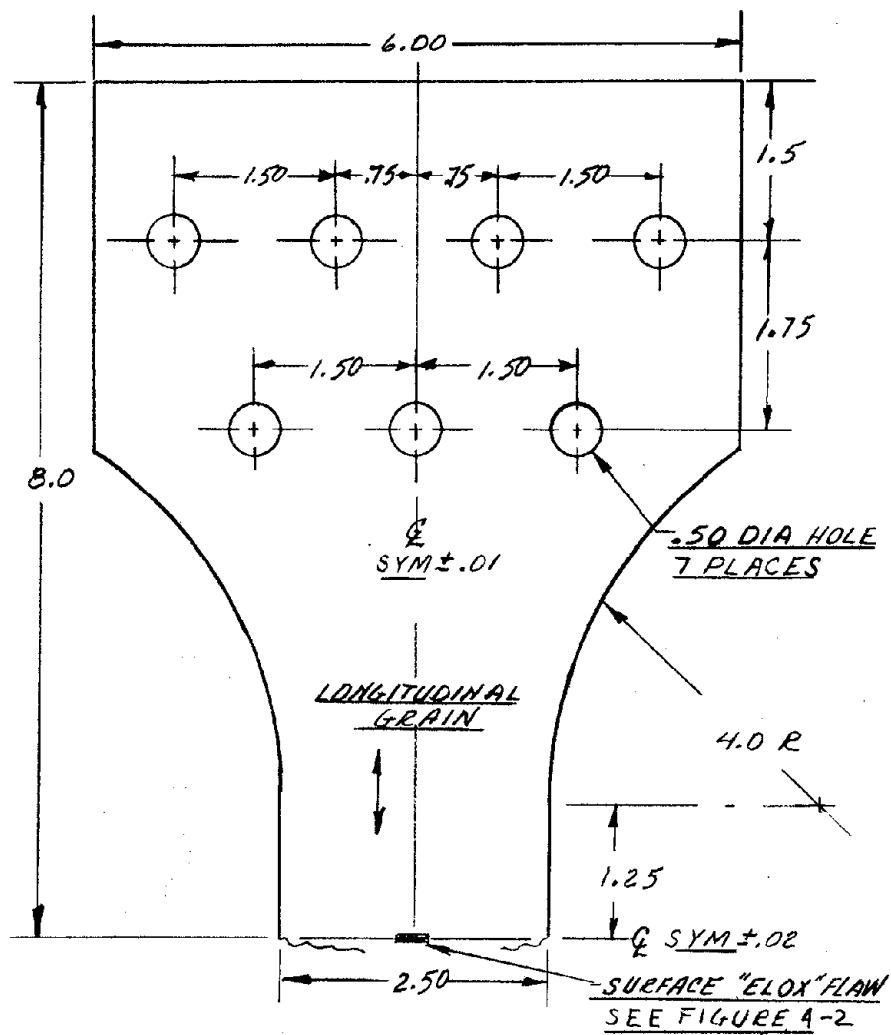


Figure 4-1 Specimen Design

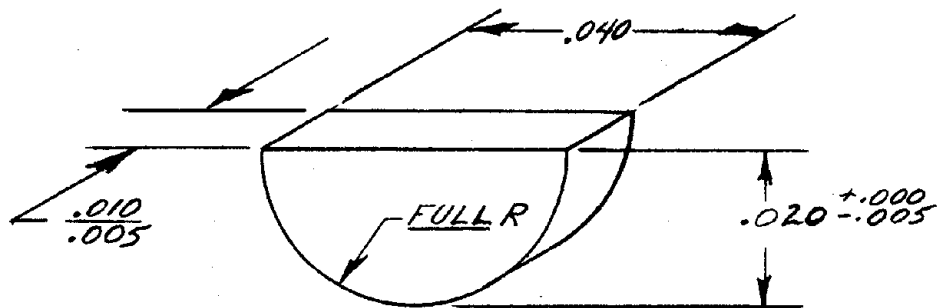


Figure 4-2 Dimensions of Semi-Circular "Elox" Starter Flaw

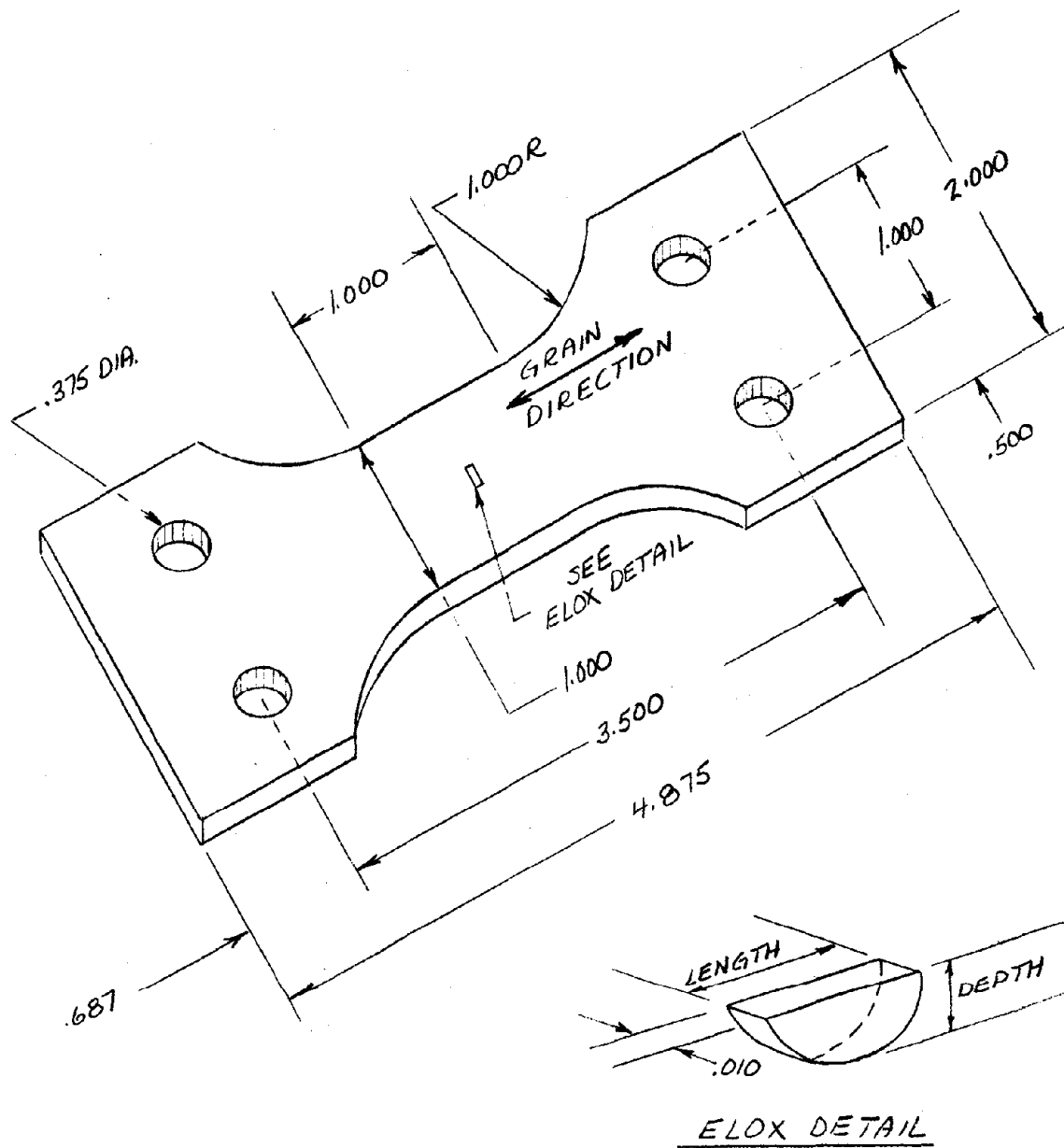


Figure 4-3 Small Specimen - 1/2 Thickness Flaw-Depth Test

## MATERIAL PROPERTIES DETERMINATION

All material properties determination tests were performed at room temperature. Cyclic stress levels and initial flaw configurations were in accordance with the objectives of the program test plan as discussed in Section 2. All testing will be done with stress ratio  $R$  (= minimum cyclic stress/maximum cyclic stress) = 0.05.

A record of surface flaw width vs number of cycles was kept for each program specimen. Flaw width was measured optically (Figures 4-4 and 4-5). The number of cycles at which the flaw grew to become a through-the-thickness flaw ("breakthrough") was also recorded. Breakthrough was noted either through observing a surface flaw on the back face of the specimen or by an instrument called a leak detector unit. The leak detector unit will be more fully described in Nondestructive Tests on page 4-25. The tests were concluded by failure of the specimens. Nondestructive testing was conducted concurrently with flaw growth testing. Tables of flaw growth for each specimen are given in Appendix A. Curves of surface flaw width vs cycles for each specimen are given in Appendix B.

### Phase I Testing

Phase I testing was designed to give a relative evaluation of the three laminate interlayer thicknesses and provide a comparison with monolithic material. All Phase I specimens were to have initial flaw depths of one-third the thickness. Since it is not possible to measure flaw depth directly, an approximate surface-width-to-depth ratio of 2.18 to 1, noted in previous 2219-T87 tests at Grumman, was used to estimate flaw depth. Based on this relationship surface flaw widths of .090 in., ( $\frac{125}{3} \times 2.18 = .091$ ), were produced in the Phase I monolithic specimens. A one-third thickness flaw represents a depth of approximately .042 in. If the range of outer ply thicknesses of the laminated plates is examined (Table 3-2), it can be seen that an .042 in. deep flaw would penetrate into the interlayer in most cases. Outer ply thicknesses varied from .035 in. to .043 in. If the interlayer's purpose is to provide a flaw growth delay mechanism, this effect would not be noted if the initial flaw were to extend into or through the interlayer. To observe this delay, initial flaws in the laminate were limited to .032 in. in depth or,  $.032 \times 2.18 = .070$  in. in width.

Initial flaws were started with ELOX notches and then, by applying cyclic stresses, grown to the desired depth. ELOX notches in Phase I specimens were semicircular and approximately .020 in. deep (Figure 4-2).

The ELOX notch was "sharpened" to the desired depth using a cyclic stress of 36 KSI. Ideally, a stress level significantly below the level at which growth stress will be measured would be used for flaw sharpening. In this program a sharpening stress of 20 KSI was selected initially. However, 100,000 cycles at this stress level produced no flaw growth. Previous work had found 36 KSI to be an acceptable level for flaw growth, but this was quite close to the program stress of 40 KSI. A compromise solution was tried in which 36 KSI was applied for a small number of cycles to insure that a flaw did, in fact, grow from the elox notch, then followed by cycling at 20 KSI. In this method, 1000 cycles at 36 KSI approximately doubled the surface flaw width, but the subsequent 33,000 cycles at 20 KSI resulted in no additional growth. The decision to use 36 KSI as the sharpening stress was made at this point.

A post-test examination of monolithic specimens was conducted but accurate determination of the initial flaw depth was not possible. Because the sharpening stress (36 KSI) and the growth stress (40 KSI) are so close, it was very difficult to differentiate between growth at the sharpening stress and growth at the program growth stress. Since initial flaw depth verification is quite desirable, alternate means were sought. A fluorescent dye was injected into several specimens at the conclusion of the sharpening cycles. In some specimens



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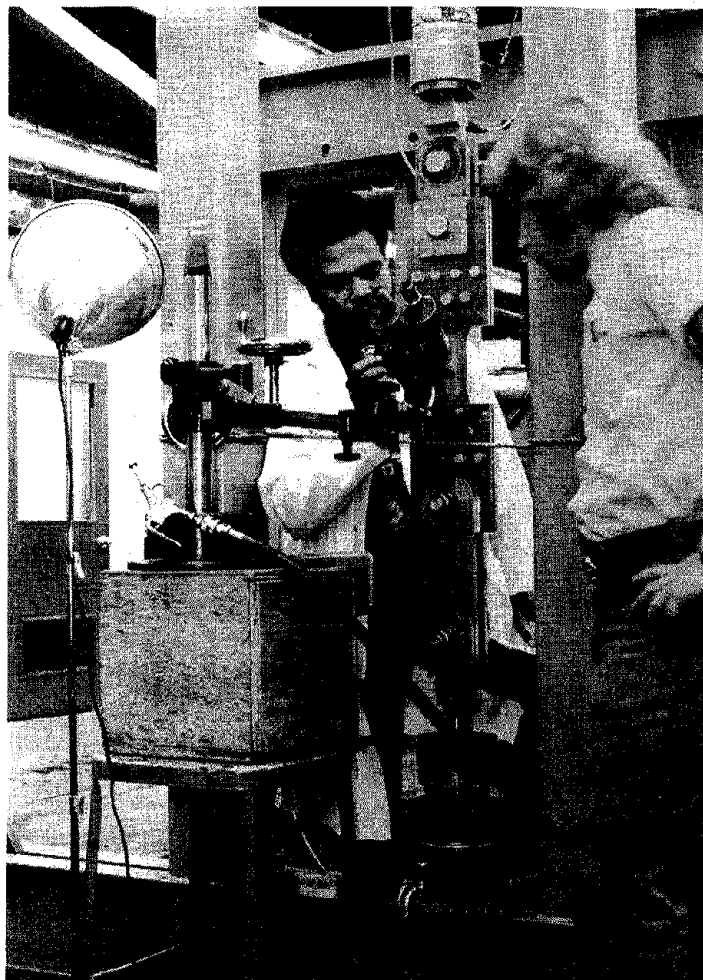


Figure 4-4 Flaw Width Measurement Setup-  
Binocular Instrument

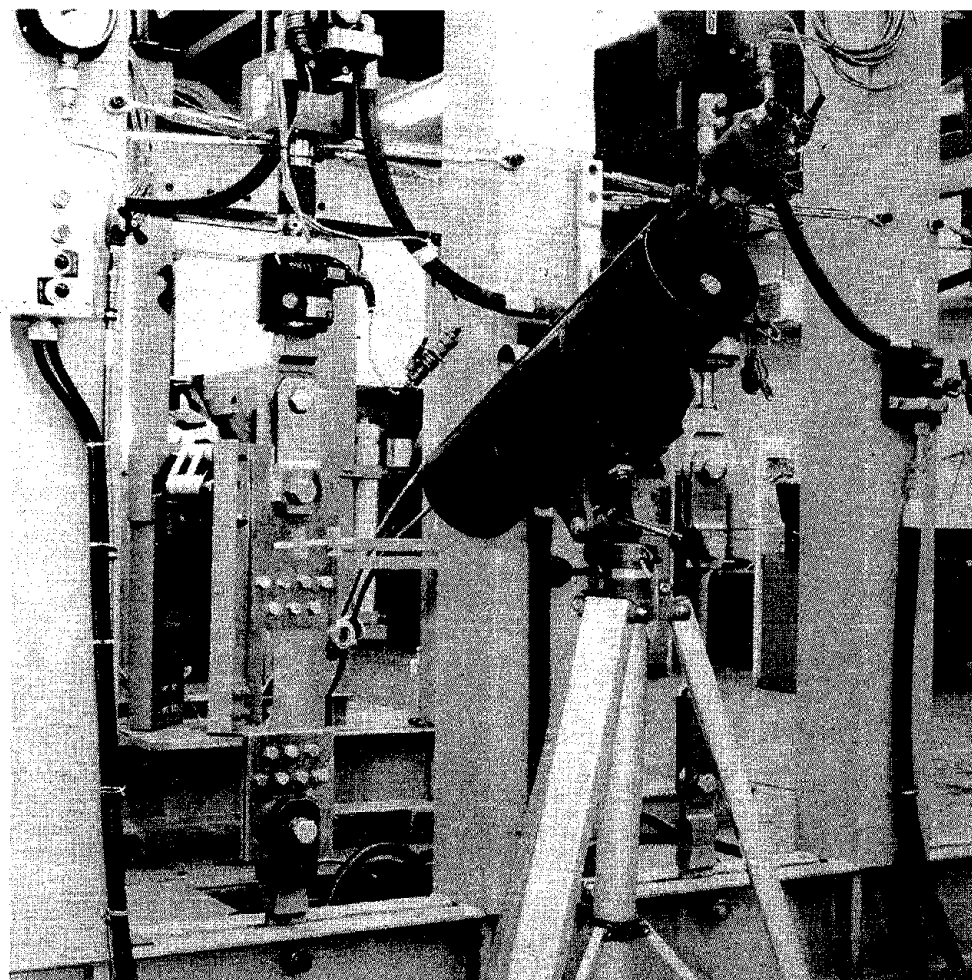


Figure 4-5 Flaw Width Measurement Setup-  
"Telescope" Instrument

results appeared excellent but in others the dye did not dry properly and ran into the flaw growth area, and in others did not penetrate the crack at all. The dye marking procedure was, at best, unreliable for measurement of initial flaw depth.

The method of dye marking included the following steps:

1. Dye (Tracer-Tech P-135) was swabbed onto the specimen while it was undergoing cycling at 1 cps for 10-15 cycles.
2. Air dried for 15-20 minutes.
3. Developer (Spot-Check) was sprayed on while the specimen was undergoing cycling at 1 cps for 10-15 cycles.
4. Air dried for 15-20 minutes.
5. Testing continued.

Six monolithic specimens and six specimens of each of the three interlayer thickness materials were tested in Phase I. Since there is a variation in initial flaw width, .070 in. for the laminated specimens and .090 in. for the monolithic specimens, for purposes of comparison cyclic life was assumed to begin with a surface flaw .090 in. wide. Table 4-1 lists cycles to breakthrough and failure for each of the Phase I specimens. A summary of data is given in Table 4-2. It can be clearly seen that the .004 laminate displayed superior performance in both life-to-leakage and life-to-failure. The .004 laminate shows a 96% increase in cycles to breakthrough over monolithic material and 73% in cycles to failure. The .008 laminate also displayed better cyclic life than the monolithic material, showing an increase in cycles-to-breakthrough of 47% and an increase of 31% in cycles to failure. Monolithic material outperformed the .012 laminate in both breakthrough and failure life. It should be recognized that all specimens were subjected to a cyclic stress of 40 KSI on the gross cross-section, so that the structural material in the .012 laminate was operating at a considerably higher stress than in the monolithic material. The optimum material then is the laminate with the maximum structural material and just enough of the interlayer material to be effective in the flaw growth delay action. The results of this program show that a .004 interlayer can certainly perform this function.

Based on the results shown in Tables 4-1 and 4-2, the .004 laminate was chosen for testing in Phase II and Phase III. Greater confidence is lent to this choice by the lack of scatter in the data. Envelopes of the flaw growth curves of each class of specimen are shown in Figures 4-6 and 4-7. The clear separation between the materials reinforces the choice of the .004 laminate.

A question was raised as to the effect of the difference in initial flaw size between the laminated and monolithic specimens. Another difference is that the basic specimen size of the monolithic specimens was .125 in. while the laminated specimens were all .130 in. thick. An analytic effort was undertaken to resolve the question resulting from these differences. Using data from the Phase I monolithic specimens and stipulating a semicircular flaw shape, an expression was obtained for flaw growth rate in the monolithic specimens. The number of cycles to grow from .0321 in. flaw depth (.070 in. width) to .0413 in. depth (.090 width) was calculated as was the number of cycles to grow from .125 in. to .130 in. Using the expression:

TABLE 4-1

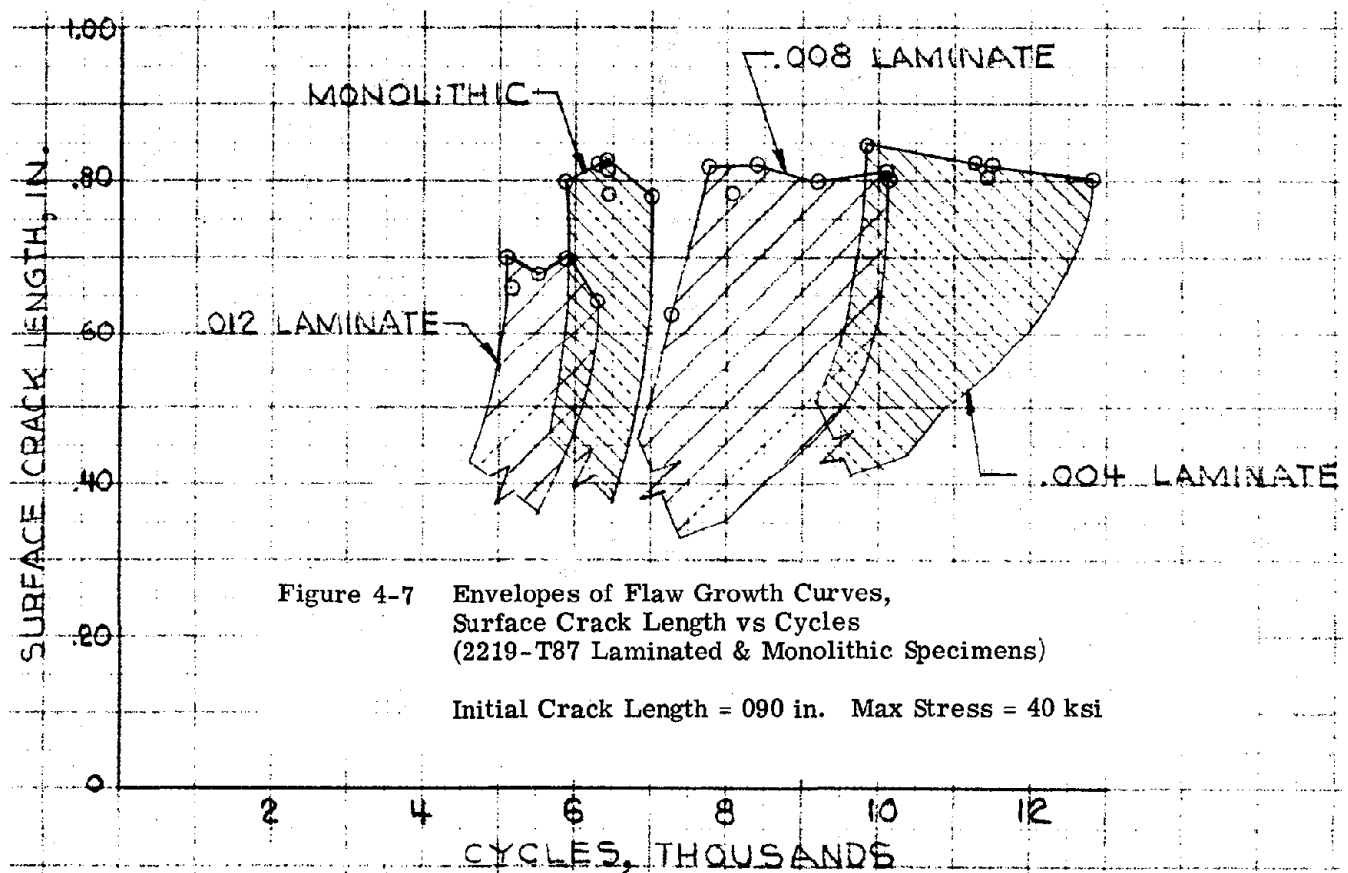
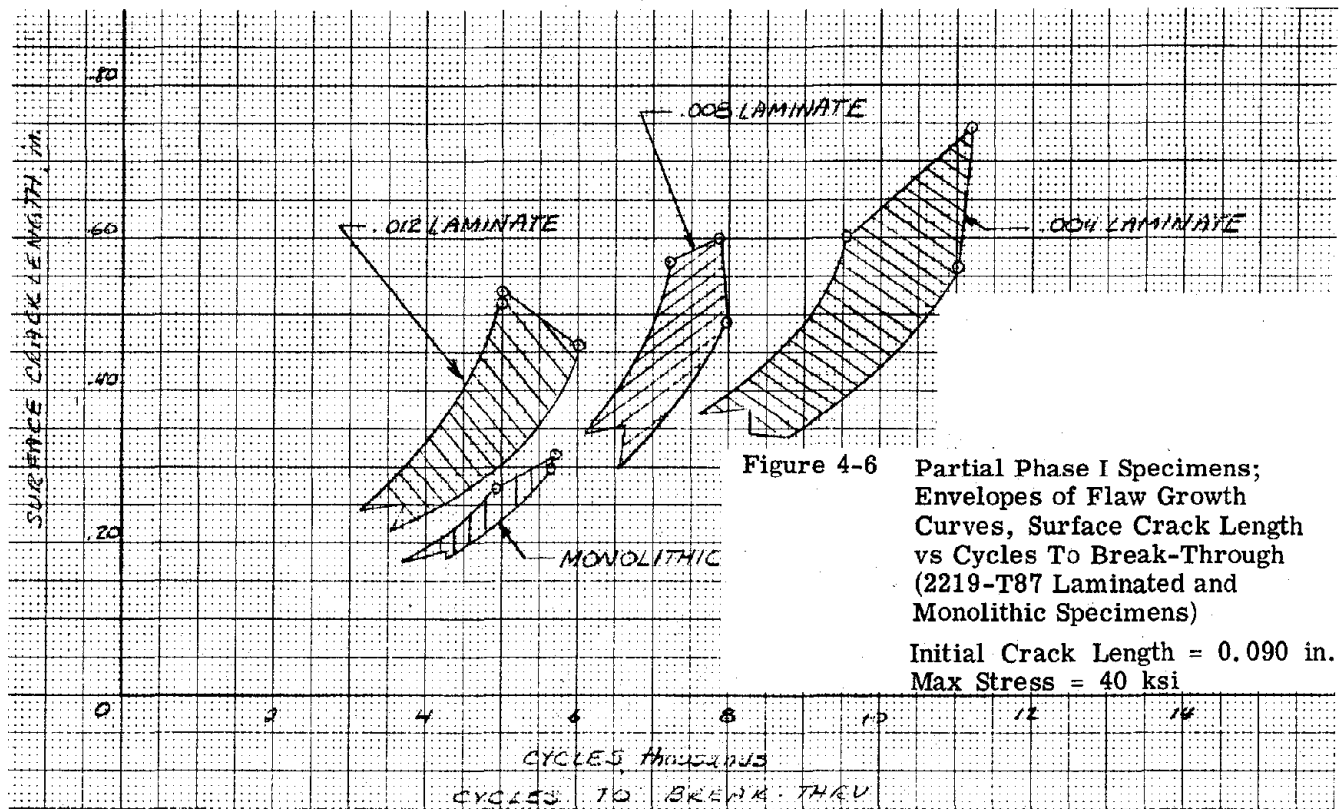
## PHASE I FLAW GROWTH TEST RESULTS SUMMARY

(GROWTH STRESS: 40 KSI; CYCLES BEGIN WITH .090 IN. SURFACE FLAW WIDTH)

| Specimen                              |          | Cycles                             |         |        |      |         |
|---------------------------------------|----------|------------------------------------|---------|--------|------|---------|
| Type                                  | Number   | Breakthrough                       | Failure | High   | Low  | Average |
| Monolithic                            | 1        | 5670                               | 6497    |        |      |         |
| Monolithic                            | 3        | 5500                               | 6460    |        |      |         |
| Monolithic                            | 5        | 5720                               | 6475    |        |      |         |
| Monolithic                            | 7        | 4900                               | 5915    |        |      |         |
| Monolithic                            | 9        | 6160                               | 7015    |        |      |         |
| Monolithic                            | 11       | 5330                               | 6366    |        |      |         |
| Monolithic, Cycles to Breakthrough    |          |                                    |         | 6160   | 4900 | 5547    |
| Monolithic, Cycles to Failure         |          |                                    |         | 7015   | 5915 | 6455    |
| .004 Laminate                         | 353492-1 | 11,100                             | 11,430  |        |      |         |
| .004 Laminate                         | 353492-2 | 11,000                             | 11,450  |        |      |         |
| .004 Laminate                         | 353492-3 | 12,550                             | 12,900  |        |      |         |
| .004 Laminate                         | 353492-4 | 9585                               | 9850    |        |      |         |
| .004 Laminate                         | 353492-5 | 9800                               | 10,120  |        |      |         |
| .004 Laminate                         | 353492-6 | 11,200                             | 11,300  |        |      |         |
| .004 Laminate, Cycles to Breakthrough |          |                                    |         | 12,550 | 9585 | 10,873  |
| .004 Laminate, Cycles to Failure      |          |                                    |         | 12,900 | 9850 | 11,175  |
| .008 Laminate                         | 353493-1 | 7900                               | 8050    |        |      |         |
| .008 Laminate                         | 353493-2 | 8000                               | 8330    |        |      |         |
| .008 Laminate                         | 353493-3 | 8700                               | 9200    |        |      |         |
| .008 Laminate                         | 353493-4 | 9688                               | 10,100  |        |      |         |
| .008 Laminate                         | 353493-5 | 7500                               | 7820    |        |      |         |
| .008 Laminate                         | 353493-6 | 7260                               | 7345    |        |      |         |
| .008 Laminate, Cycles to Breakthrough |          |                                    |         | 9688   | 7260 | 8175    |
| .008 Laminate, Cycles to Failure      |          |                                    |         | 10,100 | 7345 | 8474    |
| .012 Laminate                         | 353494-1 | 5687                               | 5960    |        |      |         |
| .012 Laminate                         | 353494-2 | 6061                               | 6300    |        |      |         |
| .012 Laminate                         | 353494-3 | 5318                               | 5598    |        |      |         |
| .012 Laminate                         | 353494-4 | 5000                               | 5145    |        |      |         |
| .012 Laminate                         | 353494-5 | Accidentally overloaded to Failure |         |        |      |         |
| .012 Laminate                         | 353494-6 | 5000                               | 5150    |        |      |         |
| .012 Laminate, Cycles to Breakthrough |          |                                    |         | 6061   | 5000 | 5413    |
| .012 Laminate, Cycles to Failure      |          |                                    |         | 6300   | 5145 | 5631    |

TABLE 4-2 SUMMARY OF PHASE I TEST RESULTS, CYCLES BEGIN  
WITH .090 IN. SURFACE FLAW WIDTH

| Specimen<br>Description | No. of<br>Specimens | Number of Cycles |      |        |         |      |        |
|-------------------------|---------------------|------------------|------|--------|---------|------|--------|
|                         |                     | Break Through    |      |        | Failure |      |        |
|                         |                     | High             | Low  | Avg.   | High    | Low  | Avg.   |
| Monolithic              | 6                   | 6160             | 4900 | 5547   | 7015    | 5915 | 6455   |
| .004 Laminate           | 6                   | 12,550           | 9585 | 10,873 | 12,900  | 9850 | 11,175 |
| .008 Laminate           | 6                   | 9688             | 7260 | 8175   | 10,100  | 7345 | 8474   |
| .012 Laminate           | 5                   | 6061             | 5000 | 5413   | 6300    | 5145 | 5631   |



$$n = \frac{3.38 \times 10^9}{B^{2.135}} \left[ \begin{matrix} -1.135 & -1.135 \\ A_o & -A_f \end{matrix} \right] \quad (4-1)$$

where n = number of cycles for a flaw to progress from an initial depth  $A_o$ , to a final depth  $A_f$ .

$$B = \frac{1.21 \pi (\Delta\sigma)^2}{Q}$$

$$Q = \Phi^2 - 0.212 \left( \frac{\Delta\sigma}{\sigma_y} \right)^2$$

$\Delta\sigma$  = cyclic stress range, KSI

$\sigma_y$  = material yield stress, KSI

$\Phi^2$  = 2.46 for a semicircular flaw

the number of cycles to grow from .032 in. to .041 in. was 2705, and 101 cycles was required to grow from .125 in. to .130 in. Reviewing the data for the monolithic specimens, the average number of cycles to breakthrough is 5448 for specimens No. 1, 3, 5 and 7 which had initial flaws .090 in. wide. Adding the calculated number of cycles to account for differences in flaw size and specimen size, 2806, the equivalent cycles to breakthrough is 8254. This compares to an average of 12,130 cycles to breakthrough for the .004 laminate based on the five specimens which had initial flaws .070 in. wide. This represents an increase of 47% rather than the 96% increase in life based on starting both specimens at .090 in. surface flaws. Two monolithic specimens were tested with initial flaws .070 in. wide. The average cycles-to-breakthrough for these two specimens was 7245 cycles. Comparing them to the five .004 laminates with .070 initial flaws, and accounting for specimen thickness, the laminate showed a 65% increase in cyclic life. This data is summarized in Table 4-3. The conclusion is evident that the laminated material provides a substantial increase in cyclic life over the monolithic material at the same gross stress.

## Phase II Testing

Phase II testing specified one-half thickness flaws and a cyclic stress of 40 KSI. Based on the previously mentioned flaw width to depth ratio, monolithic specimens were sharpened to  $(\frac{.125}{2} \times 2.18 = .136)$  .135 in. surface flaw width.

Initial attempts to produce one-half thickness flaws in .004 laminate were unsuccessful. Based on the flaw growth records of Phase I specimens, it was assumed that a surface flaw of .300 in. would represent an approximately one-half thickness flaw. Accordingly, starting from the elox notch used in Phase I, two specimens, 353492-1A and -2A, were sharpened to produce .290 in. wide surface flaws. Specimen 1A failed after 7040 cycles at 40 KSI and specimen 2A failed after 2750 cycles at 40 KSI. Dye penetrant was applied to the surface of both specimens near the conclusion of the sharpening cycles. Inspection of specimen 2A after test showed that the dye had penetrated to the third layer of material. The dye did not penetrate into the flaw in specimen 1A. It was not possible to discriminate between growth which occurred at the sharpening stress, 36 KSI, and growth at the program stress, 40 KSI. Results of the Phase I testing had quite limited scatter so that the results of specimens 1A and 2A infer that the testing began with different depth flaws. The conclusion was reached that flaw depth in the laminate cannot be accurately predicted from the surface width beyond the first interlayer.

TABLE 4-3

## PHASE I SPECIMENS, COMPARISON OF CYCLES TO BREAKTHROUGH

| MATERIAL   | No. of Specimens | INITIAL FLAW SIZE IN.               | CYCLES TO BREAKTHROUGH | % INC. OVER MONOLITHIC |
|--|------------------|-------------------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|
| All Specimens began at .090 in. initial flaw                             |                  |                                     |                        |                        |
| Monolithic   | 6                | .090                                | 5547                   | 96                     |
| .004 Laminate  | 6                | .090                                | 10873                  |                        |
| Calculate $\Delta$ Cyc for Mono. from .070 to .090 and for increased t   |                  |                                     |                        |                        |
| Monolithic   | 4                | .090                                | 5448                   | 47                     |
|  |                  | Calculated Cycles                   | <u>2806</u>            |                        |
|  |                  |                                     | $\Sigma$ 8254          |                        |
| .004 Lam.  | 5                | .070                                | 12130                  |                        |
| Monolithics began at .070 initial flaw, add $\Delta$ cyc for increased t |                  |                                     |                        |                        |
| Monolithic   | 2                | .070                                | 7245                   | 65                     |
|  |                  | $\Delta$ cyc for t=.125 to t = .130 | <u>101</u>             |                        |
|  |                  |                                     | $\Sigma$ 7346          |                        |
| .004 Lam.  | 5                | .070                                | 12130                  |                        |

Photographs of the fracture surfaces of specimens 1A and 2A are shown in Figures 4-8 and 4-9. The lighter colored areas adjacent to the elox notches are the regions of flaw growth. It appears that the flaw changes from an initial semicircular shape to separate rectangles in each layer of the laminate, the flawed surface being the widest and the rear face the narrowest.

Due to the lack of success in predicting flaw depth from surface flaw width, an alternative procedure to produce one-half thickness flaws was sought. It was suggested that if the elox notch was to penetrate the first interlayer, a relationship between flaw width and depth could be demonstrated. To verify this, six small .004 laminate specimens (Figure 4-3) were machined. Semicircular elox notches  $.053 \pm \begin{smallmatrix} .000 \\ -.005 \end{smallmatrix}$  in. deep were introduced into the specimens. Maximum thickness of an outer ply and the adjacent interlayer is .047 in. based on the data of Table 3-2. These specimens were to be cycled at the sharpening stress of 36 KSI until it was judged that a one-half thickness flaw was produced. The edges of the specimen were then saw-cut and the specimen was failed in tension. Post-test examination of the specimen shows the actual flaw depth. Repeated trials would indicate the proper surface flaw width for a one-half thickness flaw.

Test results of the small specimens showed that surface flaws of .145 in. to .150 in. width grown from .100 in. wide by .050 deep semicircular notches give one-half thickness depth flaws in the .004 laminate. Table 4-4 lists these results. A plot of the surface flaw width versus flaw depth for the small specimens is given in Figure 4-10. Based on these tests, Phase II .004 laminated specimens were eloxed as noted above to insure penetration into the second ply, and then sharpened to approximately .145 in. surface flaw width.

Results of the Phase II specimens are shown in Table 4-5. Monolithic specimens averaged 3023 cycles to breakthrough. The four .004 laminate specimens that had the larger elox notches averaged 4671 cycles to breakthrough, which represents a 54% increase in cyclic life to leakage. At failure, the monolithic specimens averaged 3892 cycles, while the .004 laminate averaged 4849 or an increase of 25%.

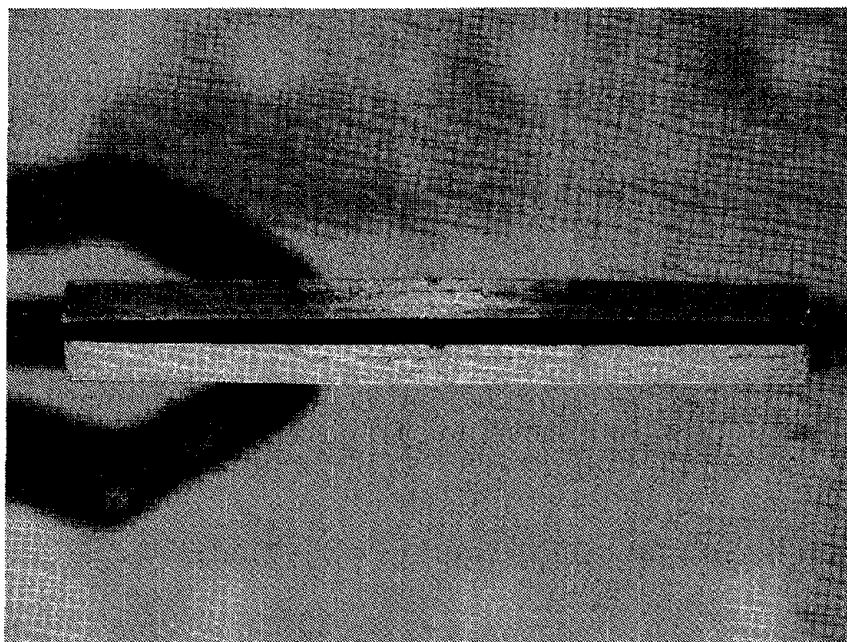
### Phase III Testing

All Phase III testing was to be conducted at 48 KSI. Three monolithic and three .004 laminate specimens were to be tested with one-third thickness flaws and an additional three of each material with one-half thickness flaws.

Elox notches similar to those used in the Phase I testing were used for the specimens that were to be tested with one-third thickness flaws. All laminated specimens had initial surface flaw widths of .070 in. Two of the three monolithic specimens also had .070 in. initial flaws; the third had an initial flaw width of .090 in. Results of these tests are shown in Table 4-6. The two monolithic specimens that had initial surface flaws of .070 in. averaged 3842 cycles to breakthrough and 3965 cycles to failure. At 40 KSI cyclic stress, breakthrough occurred approximately 1000 cycles before failure. The laminated material reached breakthrough and failure simultaneously at an average of 8052 cycles.

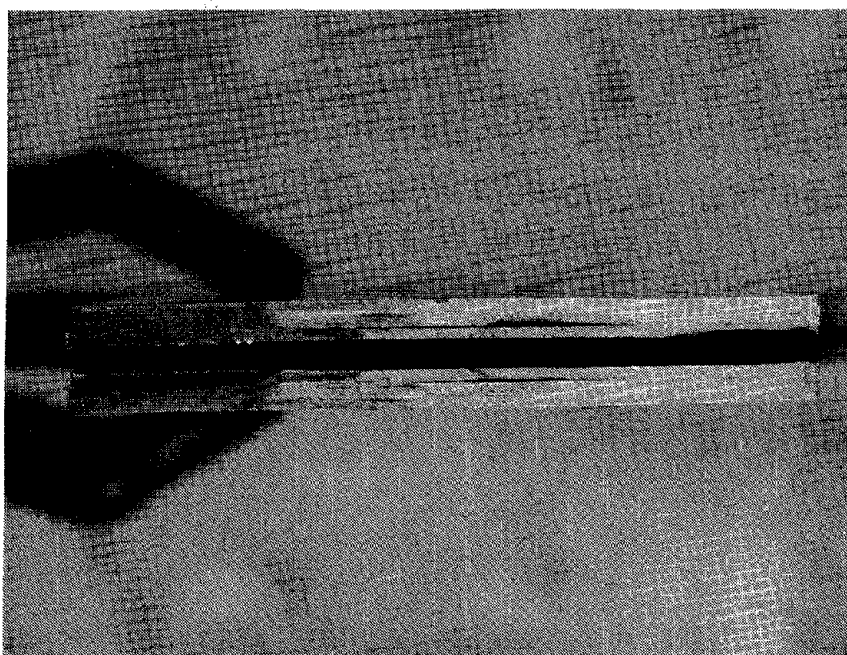
Photographs of the fracture surface of specimen 353492-8A are shown in Figures 4-11, 4-12 and 4-13. Figure 4-11 particularly well illustrates the flaw growth pattern in the roll diffusion bonded laminate. Figure 4-12 shows the fracture surface of the same specimen at higher magnification under white light. Fluorescent dye had been injected into the flaw toward the end of the sharpening cycles. When viewed under ultraviolet light, the dyed area is seen and approximates the one-third thickness flaw depth called for in the program (Fig. 4-13).





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Figure 4-8 Fracture Surface of Specimen No. 353492-1A



Note Elox notch at center of upper edge; also delamination between second and third plies (down from Elox surface)

Figure 4-9 Fracture Surface of Specimen No. 353492-2A

TABLE 4-4

APPROXIMATE FLAW DEPTHS FOR LAMINATED SPECIMENS  
(RESULTS OF SMALL SPECIMEN TESTS)

| Specimen No. | Flaw Width | Flaw Depth          |
|--------------|------------|---------------------|
| 353492-1X    | .120       | Not distinguishable |
| " -2X        | .130       | .059                |
| " -3X        | .145       | .066                |
| " -4X        | .132       | .059                |
| " -5X        | .150       | .072                |
| " -6X        | .192       | .090                |

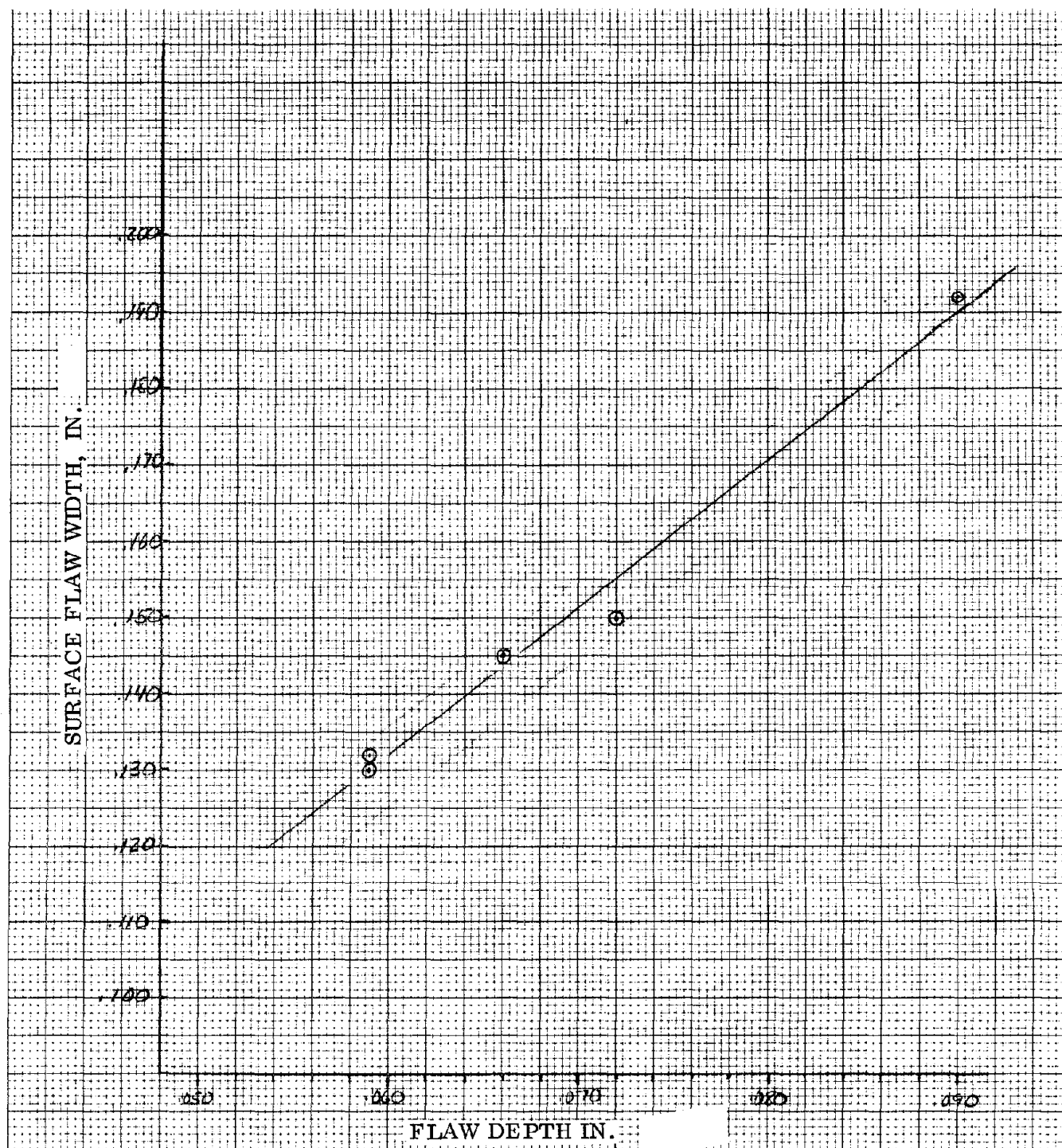


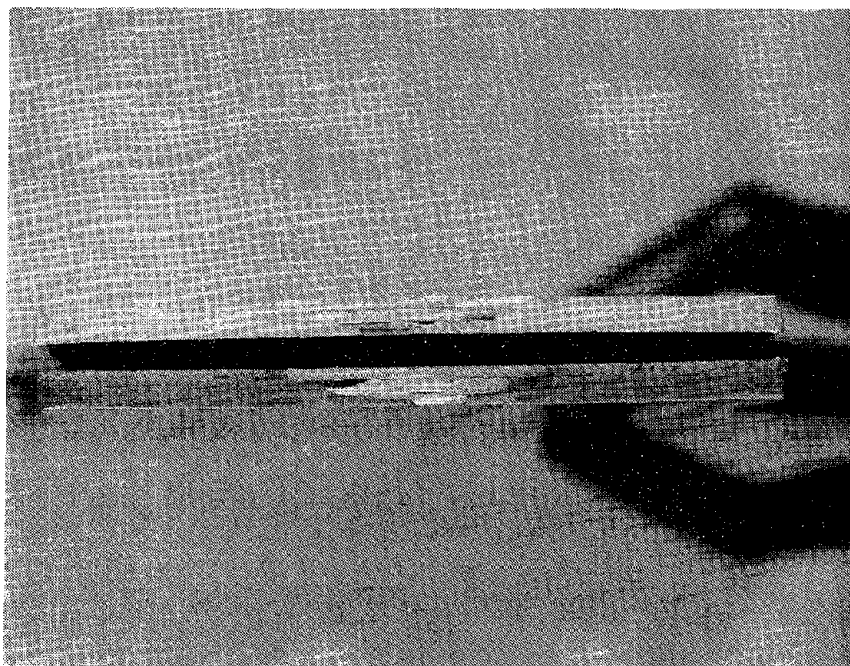
Figure 4-10 Surface Flaw Width vs Flaw Depth for Small Specimen

TABLE 4-5 PHASE II SPECIMENS, 1/2 t FLAWS, 40 KSI

| Material      | Specimen No. | Elox        | SFC Flaw Width | Flaw Depth  | CYC To Breakthru | Cycles To Failure |
|---------------|--------------|-------------|----------------|-------------|------------------|-------------------|
| Monolithic    | 2            | .020 x .040 | .135           | .062 - .072 | 4019 Hi          | 4972 Hi           |
| Monolithic    | 4            | .022 x .040 | .135           | .062 - .072 | 3078             | 3985              |
| Monolithic    | 6            | .023 x .040 | .135           | .062 - .072 | 2740 Lo          | 3521 Lo           |
| Monolithic    | 8            | .023 x .040 | .135           | .062 - .072 | 2745             | 3645              |
| Monolithic    | 10           | .024 x .040 | .135           | .062 - .072 | 2769             | 3680              |
| Monolithic    | 12           | .024 x .040 | .135           | .062 - .072 | 2786             | 3550              |
|               |              |             |                |             | Avg 3023         | Avg 3892          |
| .004 Laminate | 353492-1A    | .018 x .050 | .290           |             | 7000             | 7040              |
| .004 Laminate | 353492-2A    | .016 x .050 | .290           |             | -                | 2750              |
| .004 Laminate | 353492-3A    | .053 x .110 | .145           | ~.067       | 4180             | 4300              |
| .004 Laminate | 353492-4A    | .053 x .110 | .145           | ~.067       | 4690             | 4930              |
| .004 Laminate | 353492-5A    | .048 x .110 | .145           | ~.067       | 5685 Hi          | 5930 Hi           |
| .004 Laminate | 353492-6A    | .059 x .110 | .150           | ~.069       | 4130 Lo          | 4235 Lo           |
|               |              |             |                |             | Avg (4) 4671     | Avg (4) 4849      |

TABLE 4-6 PHASE III TESTING,  
1/3 t FLAWS, 48 KSI

| Specimen Description                | Specimen No. | Initial Flaw Width, in. | Cycles To Breakthrough | Cycles To Failure |
|-------------------------------------|--------------|-------------------------|------------------------|-------------------|
| Monolithic                          | 13           | .090                    | 2572                   | 2810              |
| Monolithic                          | 15           | .070                    | 4000                   | 4130              |
| Monolithic                          | 17           | .070                    | 3683                   | 3800              |
| Avg. (Spec. With .070 Initial Flaw) |              |                         | 3842                   | 3965              |
| .004 Laminate                       | 353492-7A    | .070                    | -                      | 8175              |
|                                     | 353492-8A    | .070                    | -                      | 7750              |
|                                     | 353492-9A    | .070                    | -                      | 8230              |
|                                     | Avg.         |                         |                        | 8052              |



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Note growth pattern, wide in layer with Elox flaw,  
narrower in second ply

Figure 4-11 Fracture Surface of Specimen No. 353492-8A - Elox Notch  
at Center of Upper Edge

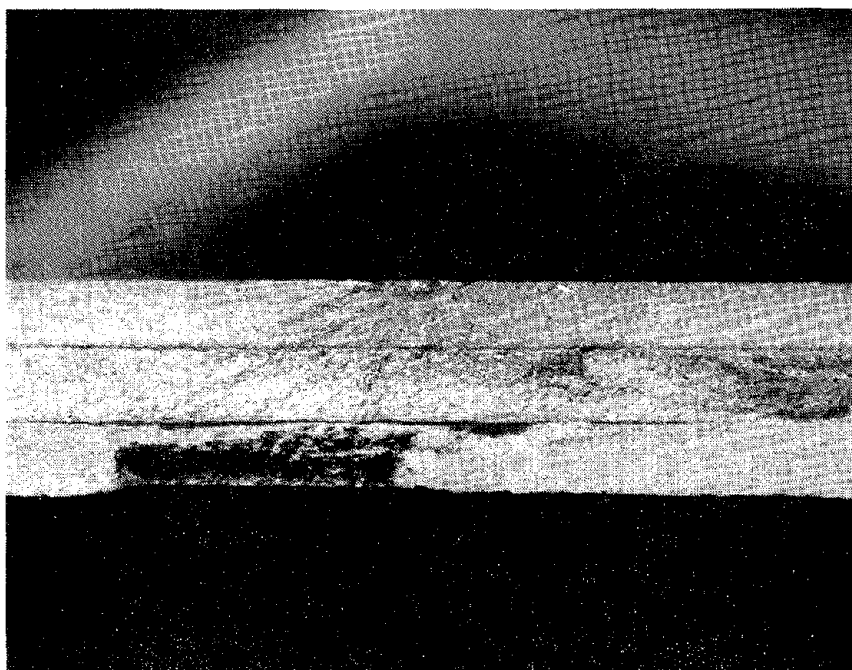
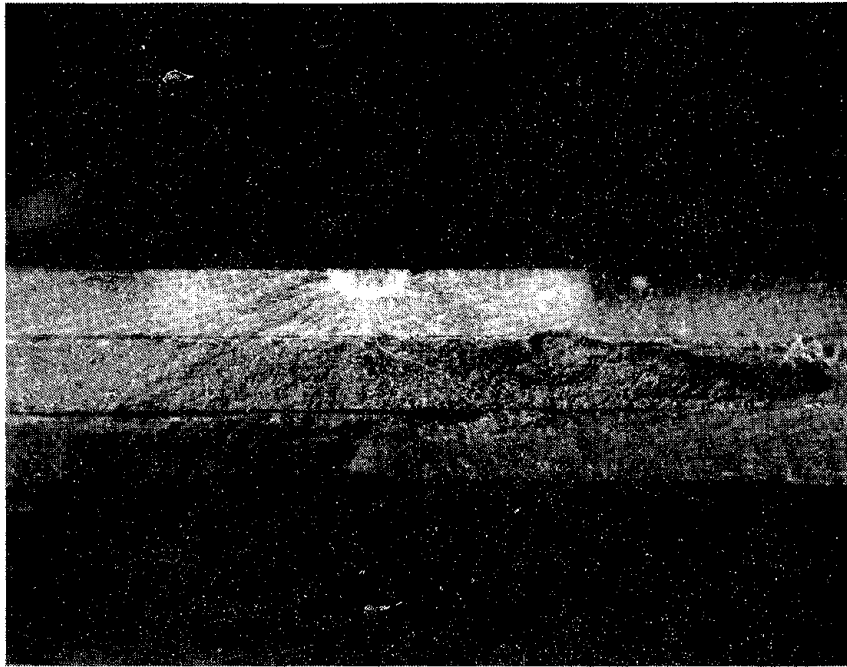


Figure 4-12 Fracture Surface of Specimen No. 353492-8A - Nine Times  
Magnification Under White Light



Note that dye applied at end of sharpening cycles appears to have penetrated one layer only

Figure 4-13 Fracture Surface of Specimen No. 353492-8A - Nine Times Magnification Under Ultraviolet Light

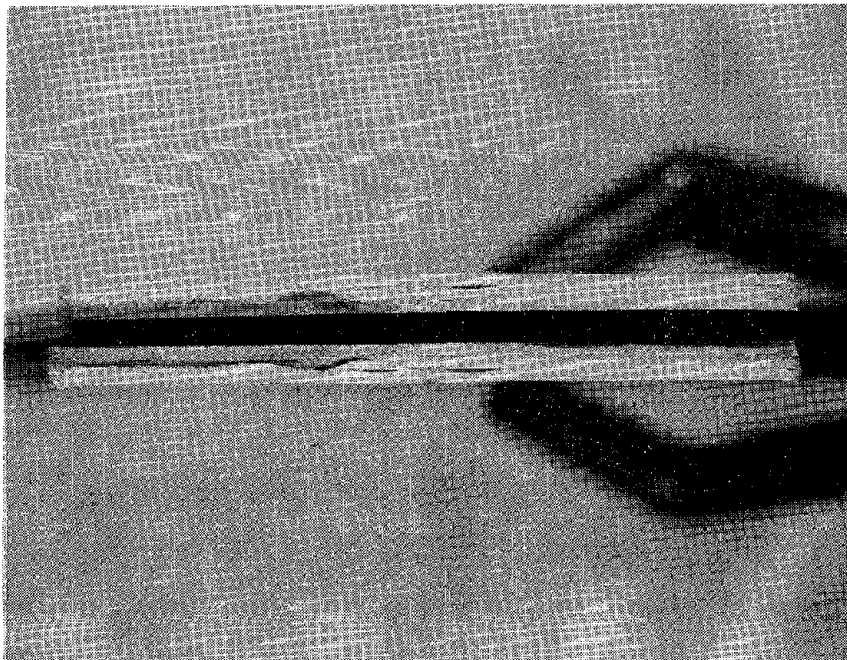


Figure 4-14 Fracture Surface of Specimen No. 353492-10A - Elox Notch at Center of Upper Edge

Monolithic specimens which were to be tested with one-half thickness flaws were sharpened to produce .135 in. wide surface flaws as in Phase II testing. One .004 laminated specimen, 353492-10A, was sharpened to a surface flaw width of .320 in. to obtain a one-half thickness flaw. When this method of producing one-half thickness flaws was shown to be unreliable, the remaining two specimens were given the large elox notch, .050 deep, as discussed in Phase II testing, and sharpened to .145 in. surface flaw width. Post-test examination of specimen 10A showed that dye injected at the end of the sharpening cycles had penetrated to the third structural layer. This specimen had failed after 600 cycles at 48 KSI. A photograph of the fracture surface of specimen 10A is shown in Figure 4-14.

Results of the one-half thickness flaw testing are shown in Table 4-7. The monolithic specimens averaged 1364 cycles to breakthrough and 1467 cycles to failure. The 100 cycle delay between leakage and failure is similar to that found in the one-third thickness - 48 KSI tests. Again, for the .004 laminate specimens, leakage and failure occurred simultaneously at an average value of 1890 cycles for the two specimens with the large elox notch.

### Adhesive Bonded Specimens

Six adhesive bonded test specimens were prepared from the adhesive bonded panel described in Section 3. All specimens were to be tested with one-third thickness flaws. As with the diffusion bonded specimens, an effort was made to keep the flaw in the first structural ply. Accordingly, an elox notch similar to that used for Phase I specimens was called for, and the specimens were sharpened at 36 KSI to produce nominal .070 in. wide surface flaws. Three specimens were tested at 40 KSI and three at 48 KSI. In each case, a flaw initiated in an outer ply grew to the full specimen width in that ply. Flaw growth in an outer ply did not appear to propagate into adjacent plies. Failure of the remaining two plies was usually removed from the location of the flaw in the outer surface. No indication could be noted in the remaining plies of any flaw growth beyond the outer layer.

Results of the adhesive bonded specimen testing are shown in Table 4-8. The specimens tested at 40 KSI show the longest lives to failure of any specimens tested in this program. For example, the lowest specimen in this group failed after 16,630 cycles while the longest life Phase I .004 laminate specimen failed after 13,900 cycles. However, at 48 KSI the picture seems reversed. The best adhesive bonded specimen failed after 5135 cycles, while the lowest life .004 laminate specimen failed after 7750 cycles. The adhesive bonded specimens, however, still appear superior to the monolithic specimens whose longest life was 4130 cycles to failure.

### Summary

In all cases the .004 laminate provided superior cyclic life to the monolithic material. Adhesive bonded specimens showed long cyclic lives to failure at 40 KSI cyclic stress. In the monolithic specimens the flaw appeared to have maintained its approximately semicircular shape right up to breakthrough. Flaws in the laminated material appeared to propagate laterally and through the depth so as to give a rectangular appearance in a particular layer. The relation of flaw depth-to-cycles could not be determined, and no relation between flaw width and depth could be established.



TABLE 4-7 PHASE III TESTING,  
1/2 t FLAWS, 48 KSI

| Specimen Description | Specimen No.          | Initial flaw Width, in. | Cycles To Breakthrough | Cycles To Failure |
|----------------------|-----------------------|-------------------------|------------------------|-------------------|
| Monolithic           | 14                    | .135                    | 1500                   | 1520              |
| Monolithic           | 16                    | .135                    | 1350                   | 1530              |
| Monolithic           | 18                    | .135                    | 1241                   | 1350              |
|                      |                       | Average                 | 1364                   | 1467              |
| .004 Laminate        | 353492-10A            | .320                    | -                      | 600               |
|                      | 353492-11A            | .145                    | -                      | 2055              |
|                      | 353492-12A            | .145                    | -                      | 1725              |
|                      | Average (-11A & -12A) |                         | -                      | 1890              |

TABLE 4-8 ADHESIVE BONDED SPECIMENS

| Specimen No. | Initial Flaw, in. | Cyclic Stress, KSI | Cycles To Full Width Crack | Cycles To Failure |
|--------------|-------------------|--------------------|----------------------------|-------------------|
| 1            | .080              | 40                 | 12,500                     | 16,875            |
| 2            | .070              | 40                 | 12,600                     | 18,830            |
| 3            | .070              | 40                 | 14,550                     | 16,630            |
| 4            | .070              | 48                 | 5100                       | 5135              |
| 5            | .080              | 48                 | 4880                       | 4980              |
| 6            | .080              | 48                 | 4555                       | 4575              |

## NONDESTRUCTIVE TESTS

Four nondestructive test methods were used during the cyclic flaw growth studies to demonstrate capabilities in detecting and sizing cracks. Program specimen loading was approximately 13,000 lb (40 KSI stress level) and 15,000 lb (48 KSI stress level). In most cases NDT evaluations were made with the specimens in the test fixture, not being cycled, but supporting approximately 8000 lb. The NDT instruments were all applied to the back surfaces of the specimens to simulate more realistic conditions for crack detection.

The methods evaluated were: shear wave ultrasonics, surface wave ultrasonics, conventional eddy currents and a custom-designed, deep-penetration, eddy-current device. Where possible, indications from these techniques were checked by visual means. The most sensitive method was found to be shear wave ultrasonics, while the most practical for large area coverage appears to be surface wave ultrasonics.

### Shear Wave Ultrasonics

Shear wave ultrasonics was used to monitor quantitatively the propagation of the flaw from its inception as an elox notch, through sharpening and growth until a dimple is visible on the rear face. A 5 MHz - 45° shear wave transducer was employed with a Branson ultrasonic instrument. The transducer was placed on the rear face and moved until the elox notch was detected. The transducer was then located to maximize the signal, and the gain control on the instrument was adjusted for a half-scale reading of five units. The position of the transducer was then carefully marked.

As the flaw grows, its area increases, and it reflects a greater portion of the incident beam, causing an increase in the signal displayed on the instrument screen. The reflected signal increases quite rapidly as the crack propagates until it is off-scale. To bring the reading back on scale, the received signal is attenuated a known amount and then converted into the original scale. This method allows the use of the high sensitivity needed to monitor the initial sharpening, as well as permitting one to draw a continuous curve of surface flaw width vs signal strength. The original gain settings need not be altered at any time during the test.

The received signal was found to vary linearly with increased crack surface length. (See Figure 4-15.) In the monolithic specimens, surface length is assumed to be related to depth in the proportion  $S.L. = 2.18D$ , but no such relation has been established for the diffusion bonded specimens. The ratio for the monolithic specimens holds until the plastic deformation zone preceding the crack reaches the rear face, at which time the factor 2.18 increases rapidly.

Transducer placement is quite critical as slight linear or angular displacement of the transducer will cause large changes in signal strength. The transducer must be carefully placed in the identical position after each group of fatigue cycles.

The results of the shear wave investigation show that signal strength varies linearly with surface length, and that consistent results are attainable with similar specimen configurations. With proper standards, quantitative measurements of flaw size should be possible. The sensitivity of this method is apparent from its ability to detect the sharpened elox flaw, which is .030 to .040 in. deep.

### Surface Wave Ultrasonics

Surface wave ultrasonic methods were developed in an effort to gain wide area sensitivity, conceding, however, a corresponding loss of depth sensitivity. A 2 MHz transducer, which yields a depth sensitivity of one wavelength or approximately .050 in., was employed. Defects

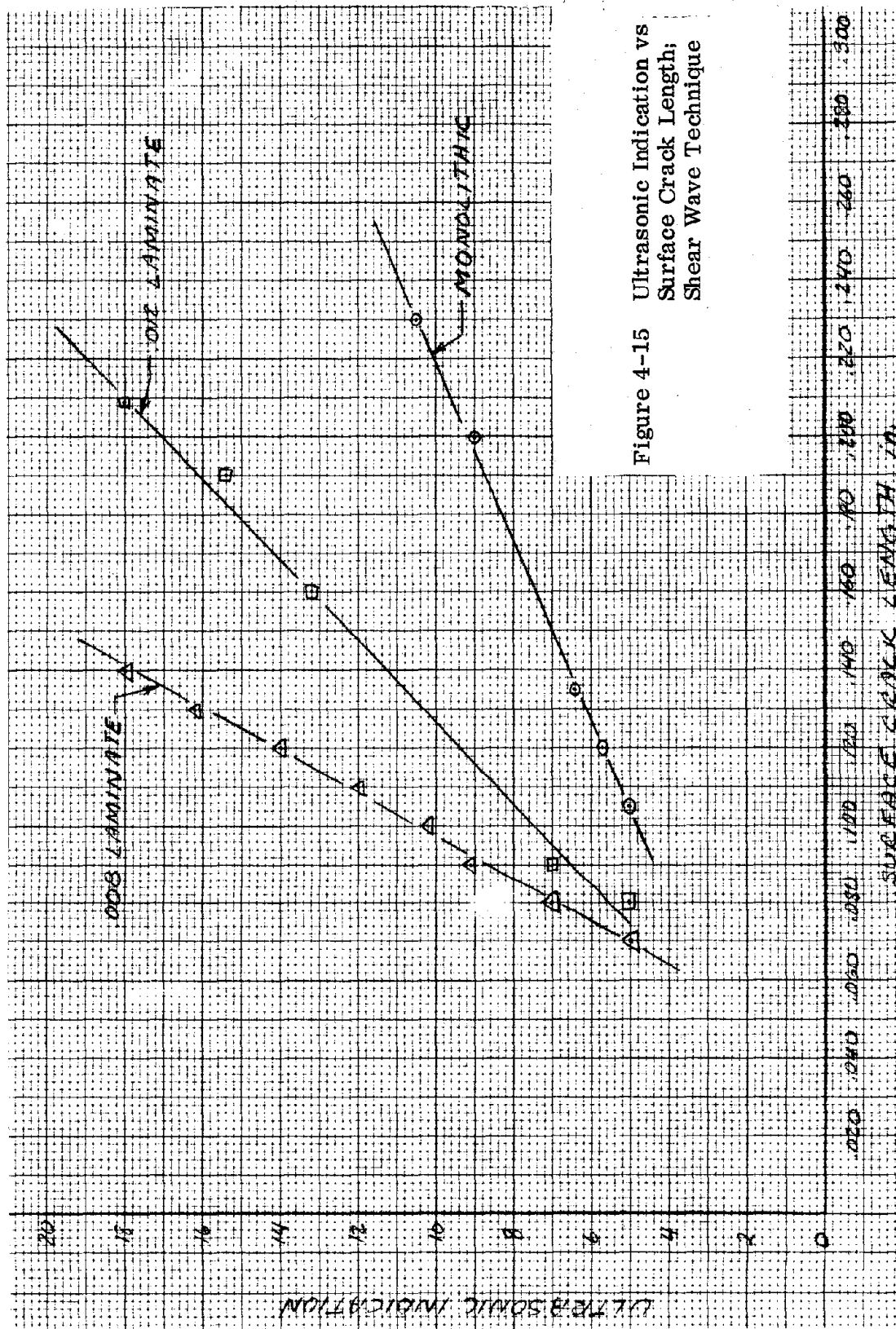


Figure 4-15 Ultrasonic Indication vs  
Surface Crack Length;  
Shear Wave Technique

were detectable prior to reaching .050 in. from the transducer because of the plastic zone that precedes the flaw by approximately .025 in. This plastic zone represents an acoustic mismatch that will reflect an incident signal.

Results indicate that defects are detectable prior to dimpling of the rear face and a large number of cycles before breakthrough. Using the geometric relation mentioned earlier for monolithic specimens, detection of the flaw occurs at a distance of .060 in. from the rear face, indicating the sensitivity of the transducer to the plastic zone preceding the flaw. The diffusion bonded sensitivity levels are difficult to assess because crack depth vs surface width relations are not known. Crack detection was possible, however, prior to dimpling. Table 4-9 shows the relative times of ultrasonic indication, dimpling and crack-through.

Surface wave ultrasonics did not detect flaws until they were approximately .060 in. from the back face. This was still a minimum of 500 cycles before visual evidence of a flaw's presence was detectable, (dimpling) and 1500 cycles before leakage.

#### Conventional Eddy Currents

Conventional eddy-current techniques were employed using the Nortec NDT-4. This instrument is an amplitude sensitive impedance bridge that monitors the change in impedance of a coil in the proximity of a defect.

A preliminary theoretical analysis was performed to optimize frequency and probe selection. For the instrument to detect a subsurface flaw, the defect width must be approximately equal to one-half the probe diameter. At the same time, the depth of penetration, which determines sensitivity limits to cracks below the surface, decreases with increasing frequency. Since the diameter of the probe that is to be used also decreases with higher frequencies, it can be seen that high sensitivity (high frequency and small diameter) and deep penetration (low frequency and large diameter) are difficult to achieve. Fortunately, the probes can be operated at frequencies other than their normal rating without critical loss of sensitivity.

To determine the best combination of frequency and probe, the assumed defect geometry was examined. In the monolithic specimens, the flaw shape is approximately semi-circular. One can see that the crack must propagate considerably beyond the standard depth of penetration of the instrument before the width of the flaw at that depth is equal to one-half the diameter of, say, a 1/4 in. probe. It was determined that best results should be obtained by operating at 10 KHz with a 1/4 in. diameter probe designed for 50 KHz. The depth of penetration at this frequency is .050 in. From geometry we find that the crack must be .032 in. from the probe for detection.

Based on its apparent poorer sensitivity than ultrasonic methods, only a limited evaluation of this method was made. Two specimens were evaluated, and the results are shown in Table 4-9. These results suggest that this method is even less sensitive than the calculations indicate. This effect is possibly due to operating the probe at other than its rated frequency.

#### Deep-Penetration Eddy Current

A unit was designed that could be attached to the test specimens which would incorporate leak detection and deep-penetration, eddy-current methods. A sketch of the unit, referred to as a leakage detector unit, is shown in Figure 4-16. An assembly drawing of the eddy-current probe and leak detector is shown in Figure 4-17. Figure 4-18 is a photo of the unit in operation.

The leak detection method is based on having an "O"-ring sealed chamber in which a vacuum of 50 to 100 microns was drawn during cycling. A leak, indicating a through-the-thickness crack, was noted by a sudden loss of vacuum, which is shown on a precision gage.

TABLE 4-9  
DETECTION POINTS DURING CYCLIC FLAW GROWTH, CYCLES

| Specimen No.                            | Shear Wave Ultrasonics | Surface Wave Ultrasonics | Conventional Eddy Current | Visual (Dimpling) | Break-through |
|---|------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|-------------------|---------------|
| 353492-1<br>(.004 Lam.)                 | 0                      | 5500                     | 7000                      | 7500              | 12,100        |
| 353492-1A*<br>(.004 Lam.)               | 0                      | -                        | -                         | 1000              | 7000          |
| 353492-2<br>(.004 Lam)                  | 0                      | 10,000                   | -                         | 11,000            | 12,000        |
| 353492-3<br>(.004 Lam)                  | 0                      | 5500                     | 7000                      | 8500              | 13,550        |
| 353493-2<br>(.008 Lam)                  | 0                      | 7500                     | -                         | 8000              | 9000          |
| 353494-6<br>(.012 Lam)                  | 0                      | 4500                     | -                         | 5000              | 6000          |
| 3 (Mono)                                | -                      | 3500                     | -                         | 4000              | 5500          |
| * Phase II Specimen, All Others Phase I |                        |                          |                           |                   |               |

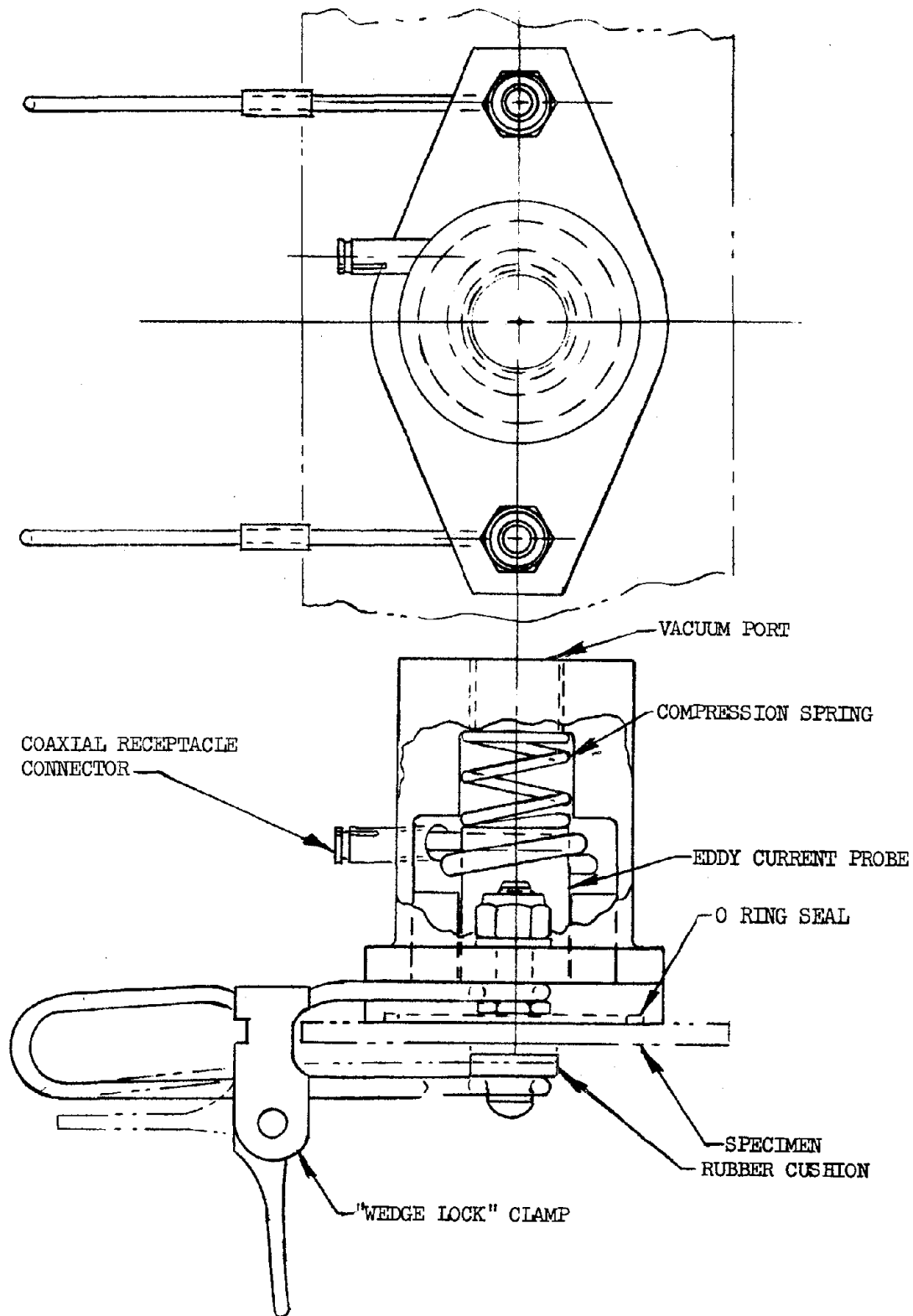


Figure 4-16 "Leakage" Detector Unit

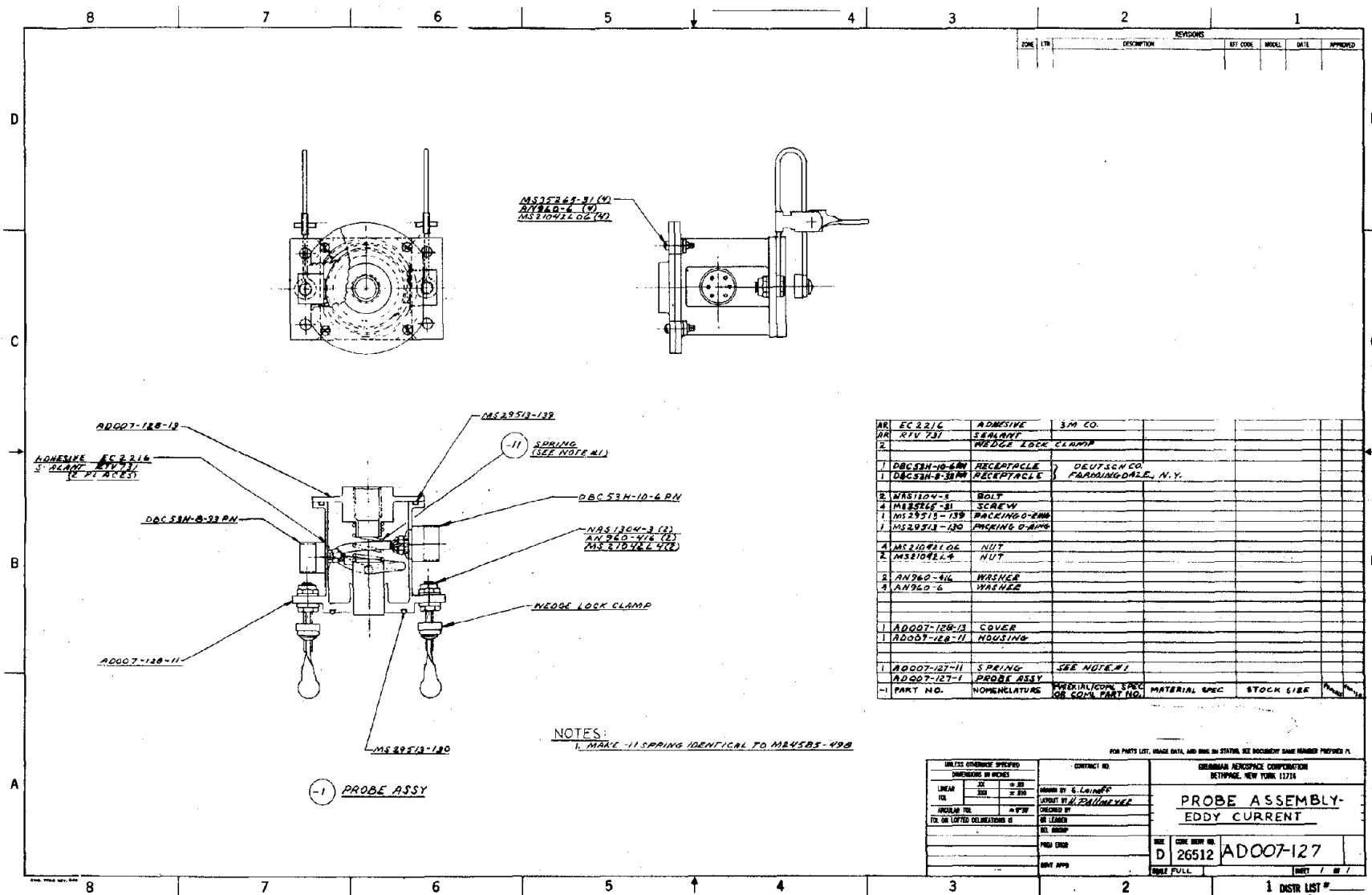


Figure 4-17 Eddy Current Probe Assembly

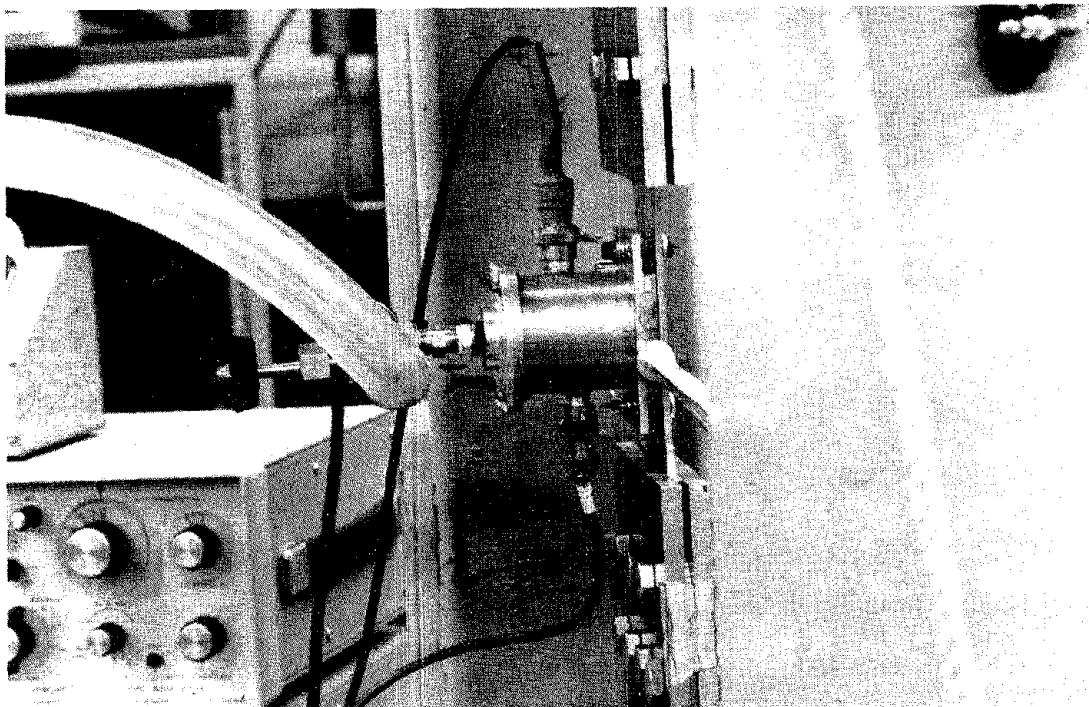


Figure 4-18 Vacuum Leak Detector Unit

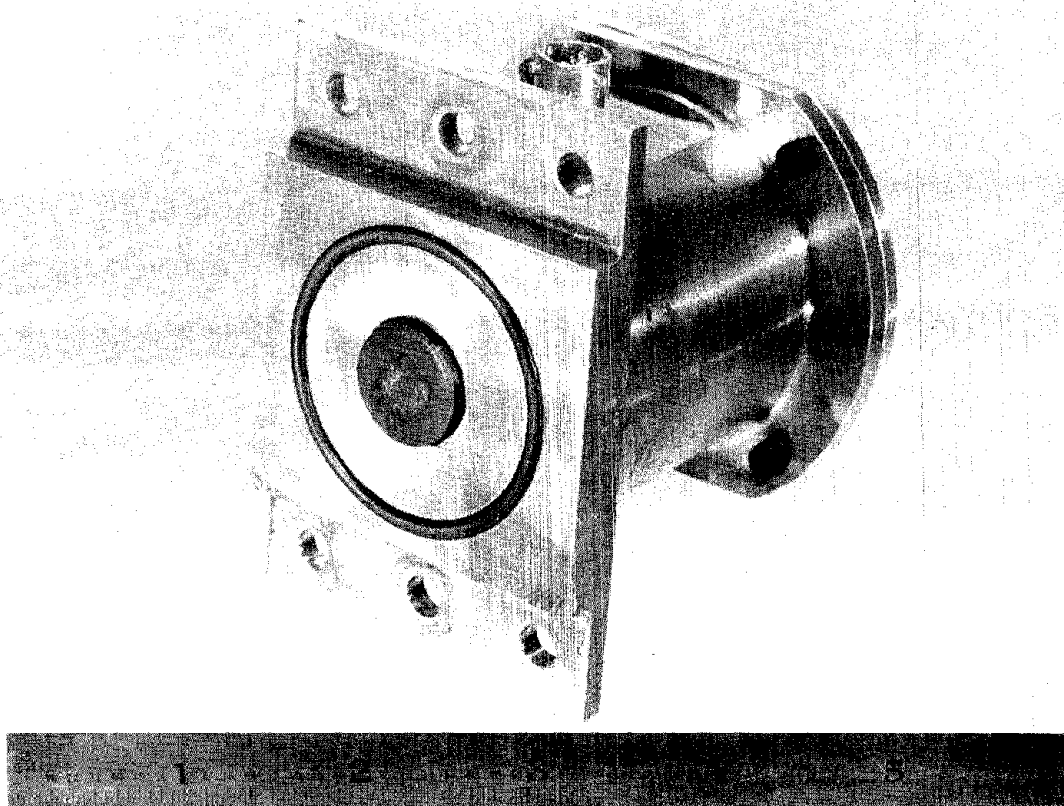


Figure 4-19 MRA Probe



The deep-penetration, eddy-current method was selected over conventional eddy-current methods because of their depth-sensitivity limitations. The deep-penetration method employs a Magnetic Reaction Analyzer (MRA) system that uses an eddy-current coil to generate a field in the specimen and a Hall device to detect minor variations in the field. By using the Hall device, greater depth sensitivity is possible since it is not necessary to detect minute field changes in large eddy-current coils, which are necessary in standard instruments to achieve sufficient penetration. A custom-made probe meeting frequency, effective area, and dimensional specifications was required for the tests planned for this program. Figure 4-19 is a photograph of the custom probe. Referred to as an MRA Differential Probe, it was manufactured by F. W. Bell, Inc. of Columbus, Ohio. The coil consists of 40 turns of No. 26 wire on 1/2 in. diameter. It is designed to operate in a differential mode at an operating frequency of 2000 Hz.

The leak detector unit was designed to be attached to the test specimens prior to flaw growth cycling and to remain on the specimen until crack-through is detected. This procedure made it impossible to collect correlating data for other NDT methods on the same specimens. The sensitivity of the MRA probe seems quite good, detecting the presence of the flaw slightly after the completion of the sharpening cycles on the Phase I specimens. The results of MRA testing are shown in Table 4-10. Relative to conventional eddy current methods the MRA probe is quite sensitive, detecting flaws at approximately .045 in. depth.

#### Visual Observations

In earlier testing the appearance of a dimple on the back face of a cyclic flaw growth specimen was noted significantly earlier than crack-through. This dimple is associated with the plastic zone which develops in front of a propagating crack. The effect is enhanced by polishing the surface with fine grit emery paper prior to flaw growth cycling. The appearance of the dimple was noted on the test specimens in this program, for which the leak detector was not used. This data provided a check of the sensitivity of NDT methods by confirming the proximity of the crack to the back face.

#### Conclusions

Shear wave ultrasonics provided the most sensitive detection of flaws in the program specimens, picking up flaws which were .030 in. to .040 in deep. The deep penetration MRA instrument also provided good results, detecting flaws approximately .045 in deep. Surface wave ultrasonics did not detect flaws until they were more than halfway through the specimen depth (0.70 in.). Conventional eddy currents provided the poorest sensitivity, detecting cracks only after they were three-quarters through the depth (.095 in.).

The MRA method does not require coupling to the article being examined as does the shear wave method, but both require 100% scanning of suspected areas. Only surface wave ultrasonics offers area scanning.

TABLE 4-10 MRA RESULTS

| Specimen No.  | Cycles | Crack Data               |                         | MRA Meter Reading<br>Microamps |
|---|--------|--------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------------|
|   |        | Front Surface Width, in. | Back Surface Width, in. |                                |
| 353493-3  | 1500*  | .090                     | -                       | 11.0                           |
|   | 4000   | .145                     | -                       | 12.5                           |
|   | 4500   | .160                     | -                       | 15.0                           |
|   | 6000   | .205                     | -                       | 17.0                           |
|   | 7500   | .270                     | -                       | 24.0                           |
|   | 8000   | .300                     | -                       | 27.0                           |
|   |        |                          |                         |                                |
| 353493-5  | 1000*  | .085                     | -                       | 8.0                            |
|   | 2000   | .105                     | -                       | 12.0                           |
|   | 3500   | .135                     | -                       | 13.0                           |
|   | 4000   | .150                     | -                       | 13.0                           |
|   | 5000   | .190                     | -                       | 14.0                           |
|   | 6000   | .225                     | -                       | 14.5                           |
|   | 7000   | .290                     | -                       | 15.0                           |
|   | 8500   | .460                     | -                       | 23.0                           |
|   | 8750** | .510                     | .080                    | 48.0                           |
| 353494-1  | 1000*  | .105                     | -                       | 5.5                            |
|   | 2000   | .130                     | -                       | 15.5                           |
|   | 3000   | .160                     | -                       | 16.0                           |
|   | 4000   | .200                     | -                       | 28.0                           |
|   | 5000   | .245                     | -                       | 36.0                           |
|   | 6000   | .360                     | -                       | 38.0                           |
|   | 6312** | .460                     | .080                    | >100.0                         |
| * First Point Detectable      ** Leak Detector Indication |        |                          |                         |                                |

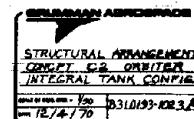
## FABRICABILITY

Construction methods for laminated tanks have been studied. Tank weights have been developed for monolithic and laminated tanks. The problems related to manufacturing adhesive bonded tanks have been examined in some detail. An investigation to determine the best preparation methods and procedures for adhesive bonding of 2219-T87 was conducted. Weld strength of diffusion bonded plate was determined. Formability of adhesive bonded and roll diffusion laminates was studied.

### Weight Comparison of Shuttle Orbiter Tanks

Stress analysis and weight calculations have been performed for monolithic and adhesive bonded laminated tanks for the C2F Orbiter configuration. Tank geometry is shown in Figure 4-20. The criteria and ground rules for this investigation are summarized below:

- The designs shall provide zero leakage for both the LO<sub>2</sub> and LH<sub>2</sub> tanks during the design life and after any predicted crack growth.
- Maximum system tank pressure:  
LH<sub>2</sub> 39 PSIA; LO<sub>2</sub> 49 PSIA
- Negative pressure shall not be a design condition
- For the laminated design the tank structure shall meet all mission requirements with limited flaw growth. In addition it shall withstand limit design loads after the loss of a single primary structural member (such as a stringer).
- Crack length in one of the skins of the laminated design is assumed small so that the resulting secondary stresses in the adjacent skins are negligible. No extensive delamination is assumed.
- The ultimate factor of safety of the initial laminated structural design is to be no less than 1.5.
- The LH<sub>2</sub> and LO<sub>2</sub> tanks shall be separated (no common bulkhead). End domes are to be  $1/\sqrt{2}$  ellipses.
- Tank material is to be 2219-T87 aluminum alloy.
- Factors of safety for the monolithic tanks will be based on fracture mechanics analyses.
- Material yield shall not occur at proof pressure.
- For the flaw growth study, the vehicle life shall be defined as 110 orbital flights (100 mission flights and 10 additional flights to account for preflight checkout). A scatter factor of four is assumed so that fracture mechanics calculations are made for 440 cycles.
- Only three-skin construction shall be considered in the laminated tank design.
- All-welded construction is to be used for LH<sub>2</sub> and LO<sub>2</sub> monolithic designs.
- All stiffeners are external to the tank for both the monolithic and laminated designs.



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Limit design pressures are shown in Figure 4-21. Critical design load envelopes are presented in Figures 4-22 thru 4-29 for limit and ultimate load intensity values. These design envelopes are based on an assumed ultimate factor of safety of 1.5 for compression and shear, and 1.75 for principal tension stress. For the monolithic designs these loads are used directly for tank sizing. For the laminated design, the ultimate tensile load envelopes were reduced by a factor of 1.5/1.75. These loads were then used for sizing the laminated skin-stringer structure.

Monolithic design concepts for the LO<sub>2</sub> and LH<sub>2</sub> tanks are shown in Figures 4-30 and 4-31, respectively. Both tanks are integrally machined from 2219-T87 plate. Wall thicknesses and stiffener dimensions are established by tensile, compressive and fracture mechanics considerations. Wall thicknesses are then increased by 10% to account for secondary stresses in the walls resulting from restraints by the frames and stringers. Final wall thicknesses and stringer sections are shown in Figures 4-30 and 4-31.

Laminated design concepts for the LO<sub>2</sub> and LH<sub>2</sub> tanks are shown in Figures 4-32 and 4-33. Wall thicknesses are determined from pressure and dynamic loading conditions. Hat section stiffeners are assumed for compression analysis. Having obtained a required wall thickness and stiffener configuration, the failure of one stiffener is assumed and the section checked for limit loads with ultimate allowables. Wall thicknesses are then increased 10% to account for secondary stresses as in the monolithic design. The inner skin of the LO<sub>2</sub> tank is welded to prevent LO<sub>2</sub> from coming in contact with the adhesive. The middle skin of both the LO<sub>2</sub> and LH<sub>2</sub> tanks is of constant thickness, and the inner and outer skins are chem-milled to meet net thickness requirements. Skin splices are staggered to reduce load peaking and maximize path lengths in order to minimize chances of leakage.

Weights of the monolithic and adhesive bonded tanks are shown in Table 4-11. The weight of the METLBOND 329 adhesive is assumed to be 0.075 lb/ft<sup>2</sup>. This includes an allowance for scrim cloth. The use of scrim cloth is currently considered essential to manufacturing feasibility and to the control of bond line thickness. This comparison covers only the basic LO<sub>2</sub> and LH<sub>2</sub> skin-stringer tank structure and does not include attachment point bulkheads, frames, Y-rings, or skirts.

For purposes of analysis, the designs were sized at the top, bottom and middle of the tank, and the sections thus obtained were considered to be typical for the quadrant of the tank.

The weight of the monolithic tanks allows for an initial proof test. Proof test requirements, to the extent dictated by a fracture mechanics approach, are not considered applicable to the laminated tank concept.

The laminated tank designs of Figures 4-32 and 4-33 show a frame detail consisting of a formed zee or channel bonded to a tee clip which, in turn, is bonded to the tank wall. If the outer laminate of the three wall tank is machined from a plate of sufficient thickness to provide a vertical leg for attachment of the frame, similar to the detail shown for the monolithic tanks, a weight saving of 331.9 lb per Orbiter can be achieved.

Summarizing Table 4-11, the monolithic LO<sub>2</sub> tank weighs 1760.0 lb and the Metlbond 329 laminated LO<sub>2</sub> tank weighs 1916.7 lb. The monolithic LO<sub>2</sub> tank is thus 156.7 lb or 12% lighter than the laminated LO<sub>2</sub> tank. The monolithic LH<sub>2</sub> tank weighs 4040.3 lb and the Metlbond 329 laminated tank weighs 4720.8 lb. The advantage again is in favor of the monolithic LH<sub>2</sub> tank which is 680.5 lb or 14% lighter than the laminated LH<sub>2</sub> tank. If the integrally machined frame attachment is used the advantage for the monolithic tanks is reduced from approximately 14% to 10%.

- LOAD CONDITIONS:
1. END BOOST
  2. MAX GN (-)
  3. MAX GN (+)
  4. MAX GN (+)
  5. TROD PT LANDING

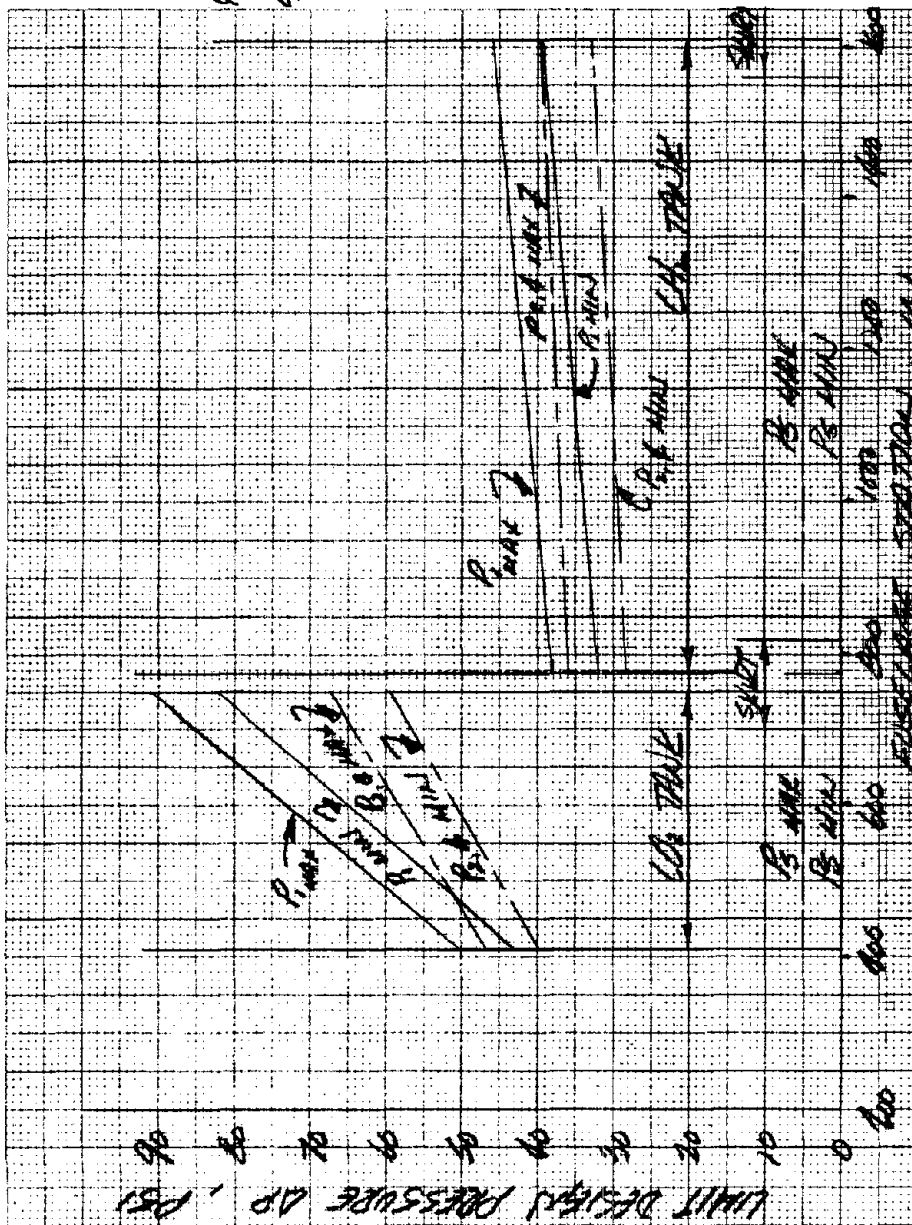


Figure 4-21 Orbiter Design C2F, Min-Max Limit Design Pressures ( $\Delta P$ )

1. END BOOST
2. MAX GA'(-)
4. MAX GA(+)
5. TWO PT LANDING.

$$N_0 = \text{Hoop Load}$$

$N_{\phi}$  = LONGITUDINAL LOAD

$$= \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{P_{TOT}}{2\pi R} - \frac{M_{TOT}}{\pi R^2} \right) + \frac{P_D}{2}$$

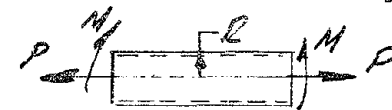


Figure 4-22 Orbiter Design C2F, Limit Load-Intensity Envelope at Top of Tank

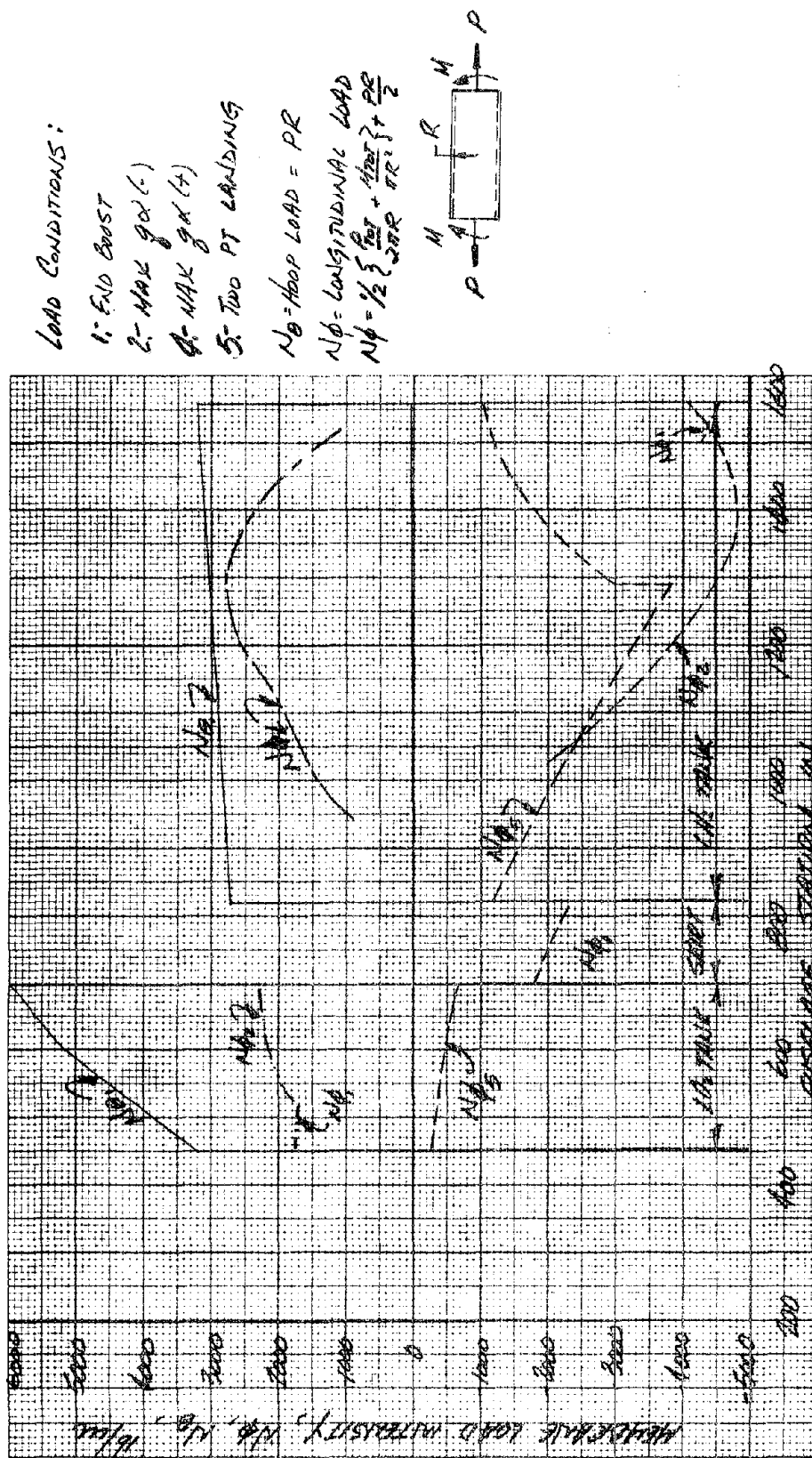


Figure 4-23 Orbiter Design C2F, Limit Load-Intensity Envelope at Bottom of Tank



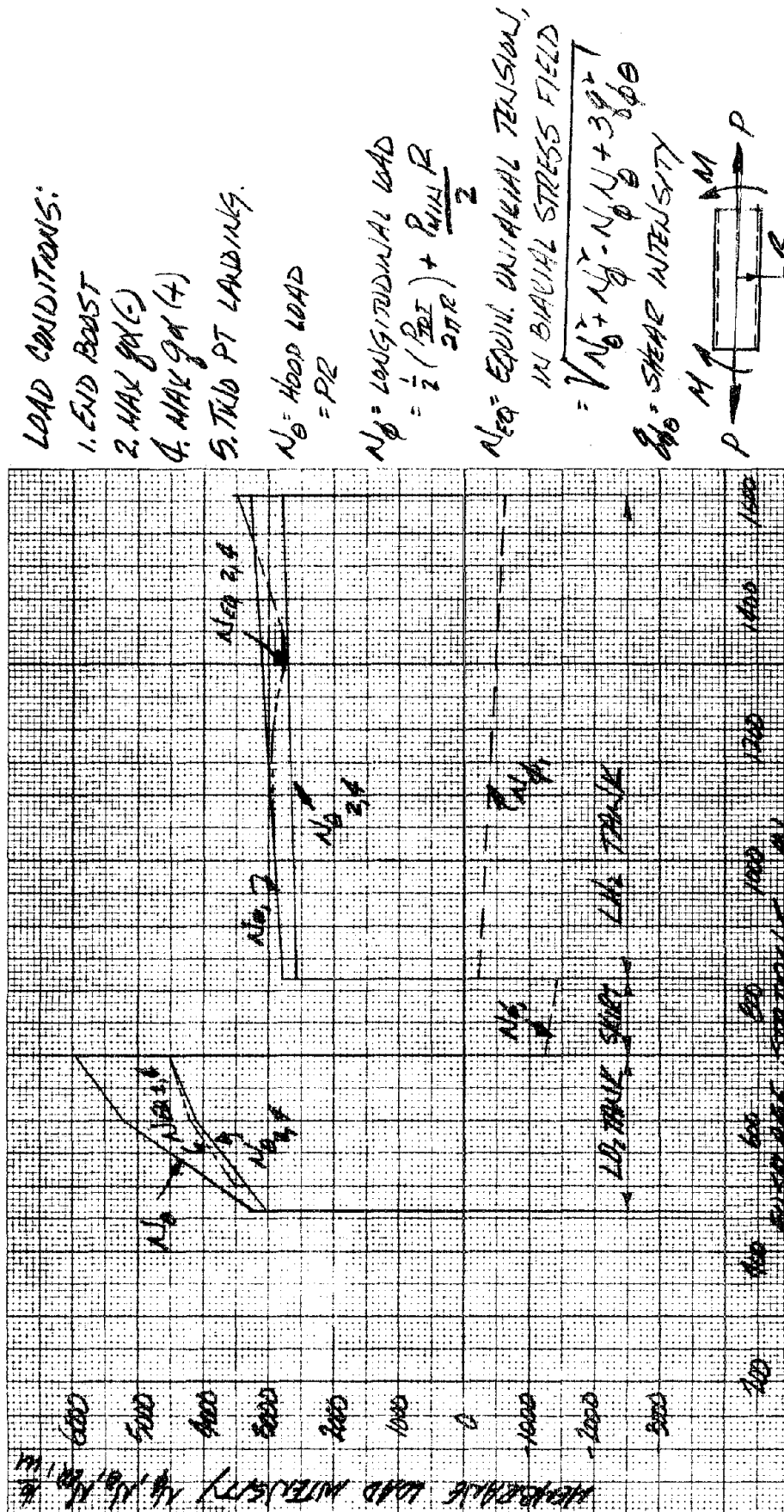


Figure 4-24 Orbiter Design C2F, Limit Load-Intensity Envelope At Tank Center

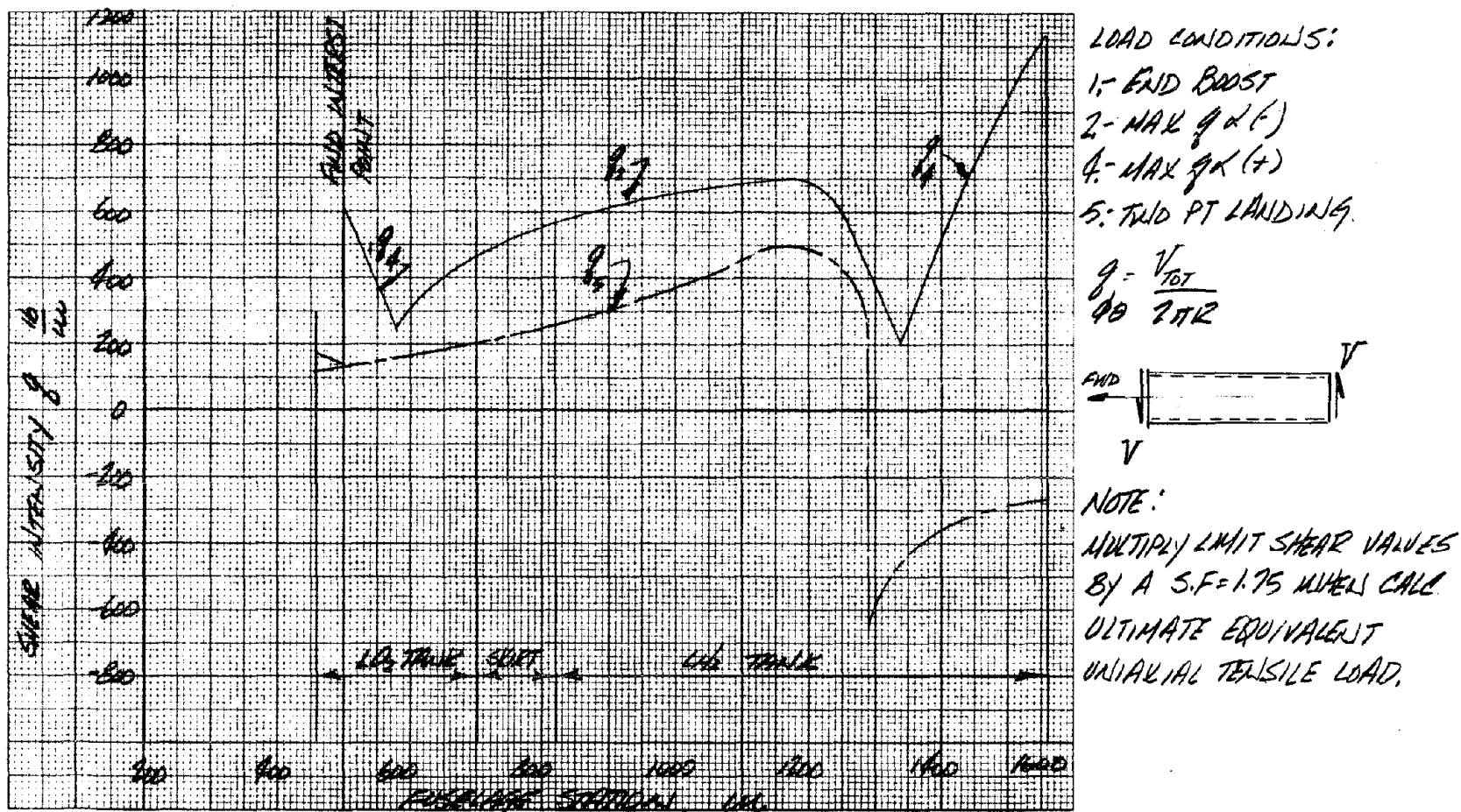
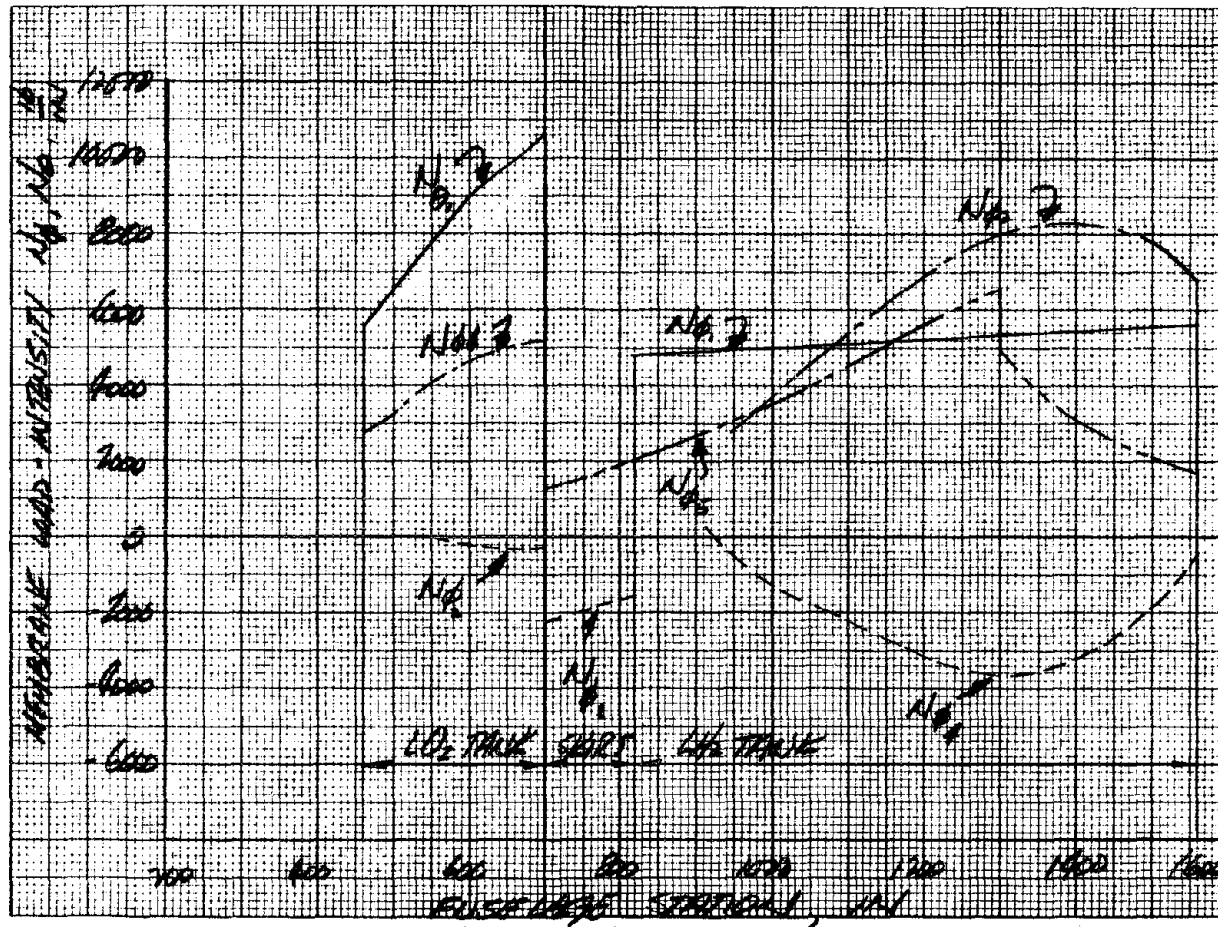


Figure 4-25 Orbiter Design C2F, Limit Shear-Intensity Envelope at Tank Center



LOAD CONDITIONS:

1. END BOOST
2. MAX  $g_X(-)$
3. MAX  $g_X(+)$
5. TWO PT LANDING.

TENSION: (S.F. = 1.75)

$$N_\theta = \text{HOOP LOAD} \\ = 1.75 (PR)$$

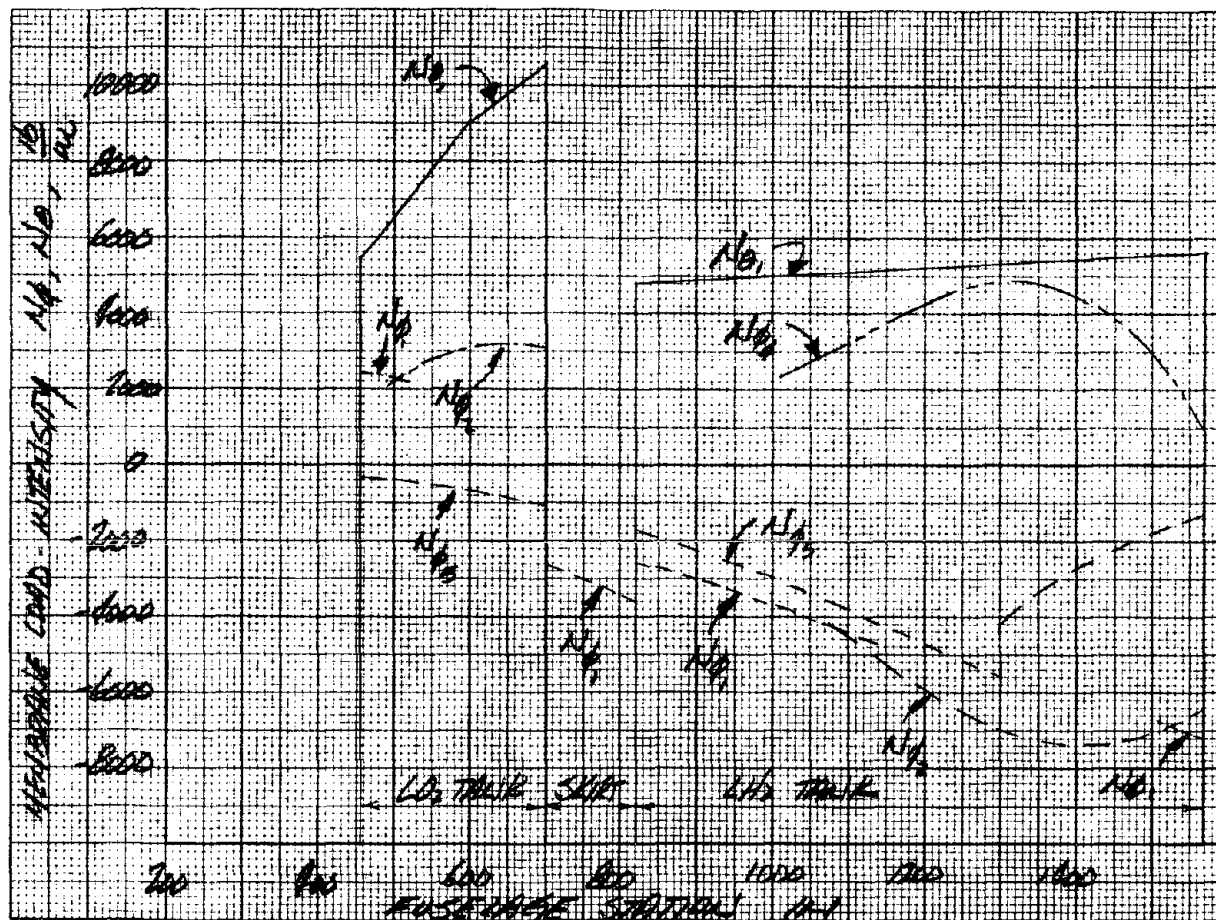
$$N_\phi = \text{LONGITUDINAL LOAD} \\ = 1.75 \left[ \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{P_{TOT}}{2\pi R} - \frac{M_{TOT}}{\pi R^2} \right) + \frac{P_{MAX} R}{2} \right]$$

COMPRESSION: (S.F. = 1.5)

$$N_\phi = 1.5 \left[ \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{P_{TOT}}{2\pi R} - \frac{M_{TOT}}{\pi R^2} \right) + \frac{P_{MIN} R}{2} \right]$$



Figure 4-26 Orbiter Design C2F, Ultimate Load-Intensity Envelope at Top of Tank



LOAD CONDITIONS:

1. END BOOST
2. MAX  $g_x (-)$
3. MAX  $g_x (+)$
4. MAX  $g_x (+)$
5. TWO PT LANDING

TENSION: (S.F. = 1.75)

$$N_{\theta} = \text{HOOP LOAD} \\ = 1.75 (PR)$$

$$N_{\phi} = \text{LONGITUDINAL LOAD} \\ = 1.75 \left[ \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{P_{TOT}}{2\pi R} + \frac{M_{TOT}}{\pi R^2} \right) + \frac{P_{MAX} R}{2} \right]$$

COMPRESSION: (S.F. = 1.5)

$$N_{\phi} = 1.5 \left[ \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{P_{TOT}}{2\pi R} + \frac{M_{TOT}}{\pi R^2} \right) + \frac{P_{MIN} R}{2} \right]$$

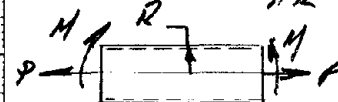
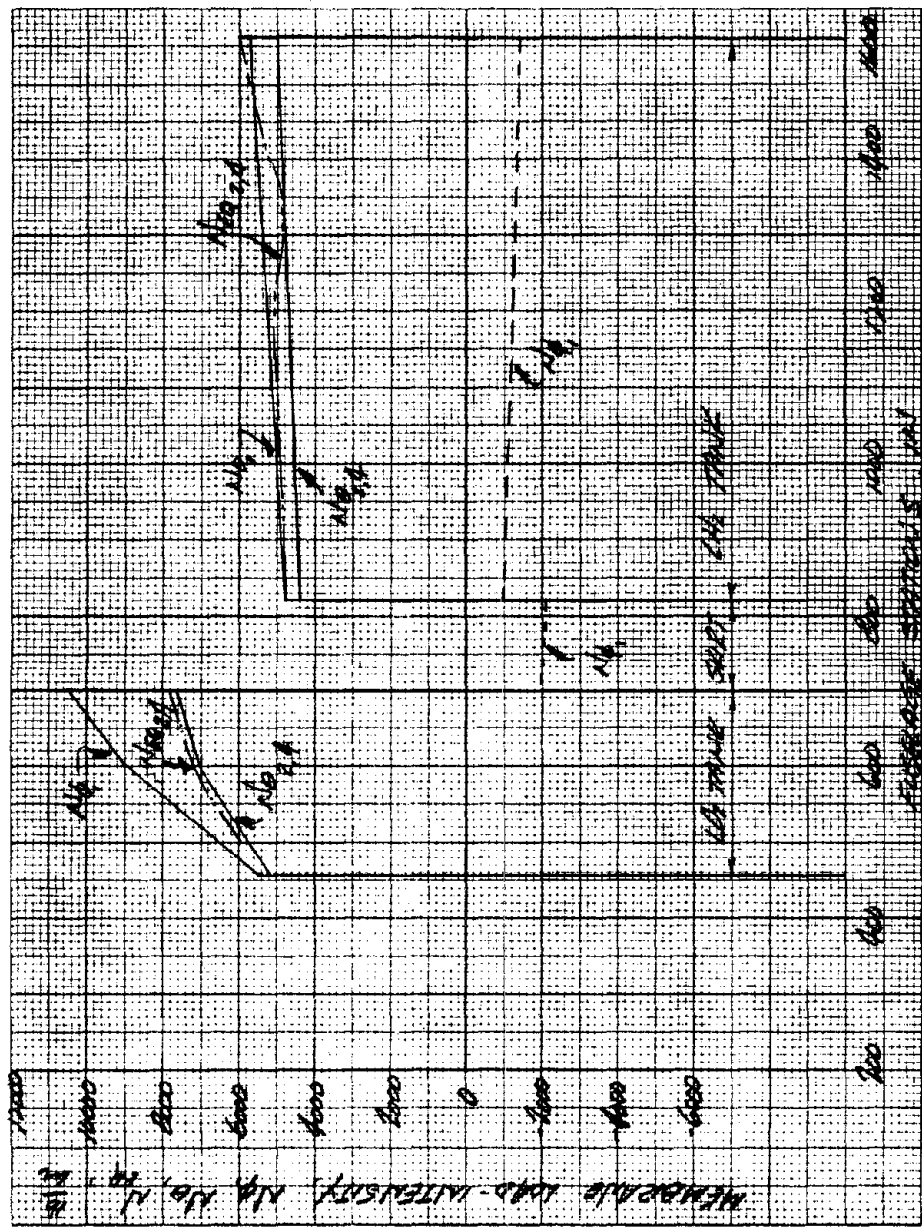


Figure 4-27 Orbiter Design C2F, Ultimate Load-Intensity Envelope at Bottom of Tank

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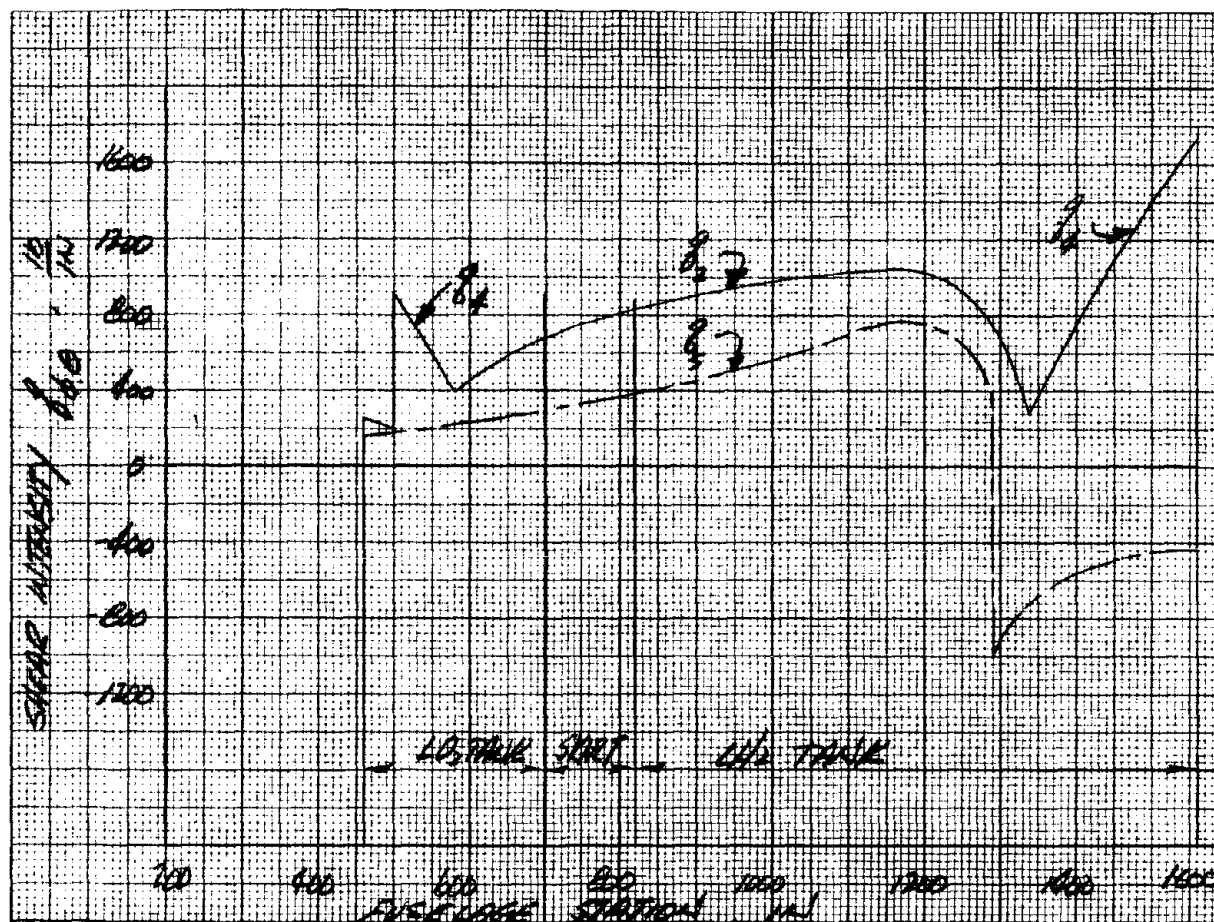
1. END BOOST
  2. MAX  $g_A$  (+)
  3. MAX  $g_A$  (-)
  4. MAX  $g_A$  (+)
  5. TILD BY RANDOMLY
- $N_D$  - HOOP LOAD = 1.75 (PR) S.F.
- $N_L$  - LONGITUDINAL LOAD
- $N_{\phi} = 1.5 \left[ \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{P_{OT}}{2TR} \right) \right] + \frac{P_{MIN} R}{2}$
- $N_{EQ} = \text{EQUIL. UNIAxIAL TENSION, IN BIAXIAL STRESS FIELD}$   
(S.F. = 1.75)

$$N_{EQ} = 1.75 \sqrt{N_D^2 + N_L^2 - N_D N_L + 3g_A^2}$$

$g_A$  - SHEAR INTENSITY



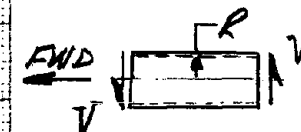
Figure 4-28 Orbiter Design C2F, Ultimate Load-Intensity Envelope at Tank Center



LOAD CONDITIONS:

1. END BOOST
2. MAX  $g_x (-)$
3. MAX  $g_x (+)$
5. TWO PT LANDING

$$g_{\phi} = 1.5 \left[ \frac{V_{TOT}}{2TR} \right]$$



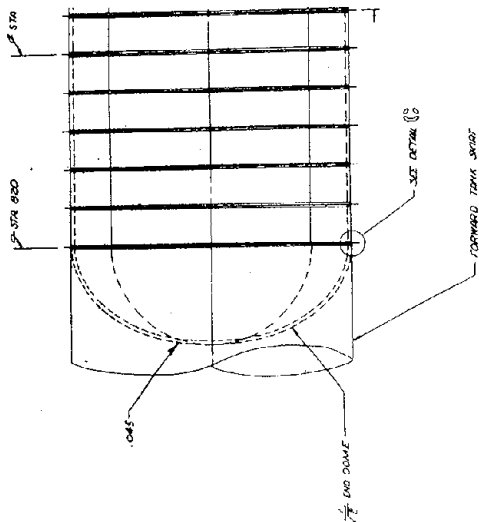
NOTE:

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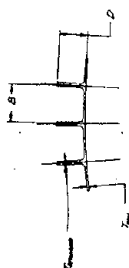
Figure 4-29 Orbiter Design C2F, Ultimate Shear-Intensity Envelope at Tank Center





| TANK LOWER DIMENSIONS |     |     |                  | TANK JOST DIMENSIONS |     |                  |     |
|-----------------------|-----|-----|------------------|----------------------|-----|------------------|-----|
| STA                   | B   | D   | T <sub>max</sub> | B                    | D   | T <sub>max</sub> | D   |
| 020                   | 244 | 160 | 075              | 090                  | 372 | 100              | 057 |
| 025                   | 244 | 160 | 075              | 090                  | 372 | 100              | 057 |
| 030                   | 244 | 160 | 075              | 090                  | 372 | 100              | 057 |
| 035                   | 244 | 160 | 075              | 090                  | 372 | 100              | 057 |
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| 045                   | 244 | 160 | 075              | 090                  | 372 | 100              | 057 |
| 050                   | 244 | 160 | 075              | 090                  | 372 | 100              | 057 |
| 055                   | 244 | 160 | 075              | 090                  | 372 | 100              | 057 |
| 060                   | 244 | 160 | 075              | 090                  | 372 | 100              | 057 |
| 065                   | 244 | 160 | 075              | 090                  | 372 | 100              | 057 |
| 070                   | 244 | 160 | 075              | 090                  | 372 | 100              | 057 |
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| 125                   | 244 | 160 | 075              | 090                  | 372 | 100              | 057 |
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| 160                   | 244 | 160 | 075              | 090                  | 372 | 100              | 057 |
| 165                   | 244 | 160 | 075              | 090                  | 372 | 100              | 057 |
| 170                   | 244 | 160 | 075              | 090                  | 372 | 100              | 057 |
| 175                   | 244 | 160 | 075              | 090                  | 372 | 100              | 057 |
| 180                   | 244 | 160 | 075              | 090                  | 372 | 100              | 057 |
| 185                   | 244 | 160 | 075              | 090                  | 372 | 100              | 057 |
| 190                   | 244 | 160 | 075              | 090                  | 372 | 100              | 057 |
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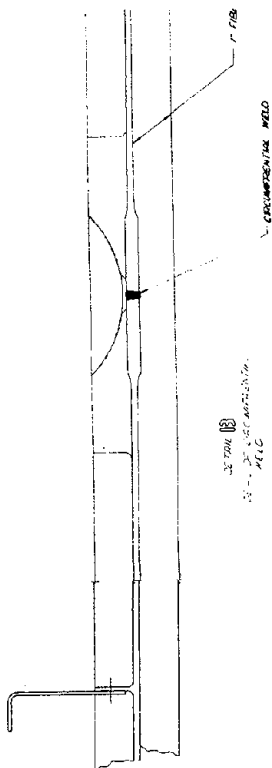
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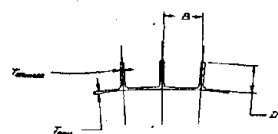
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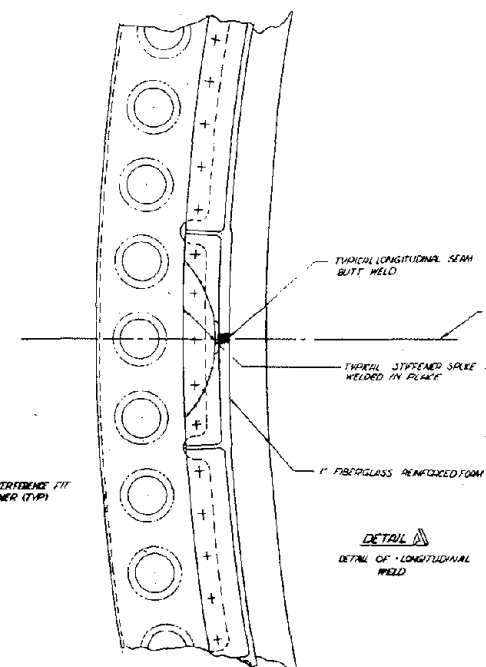
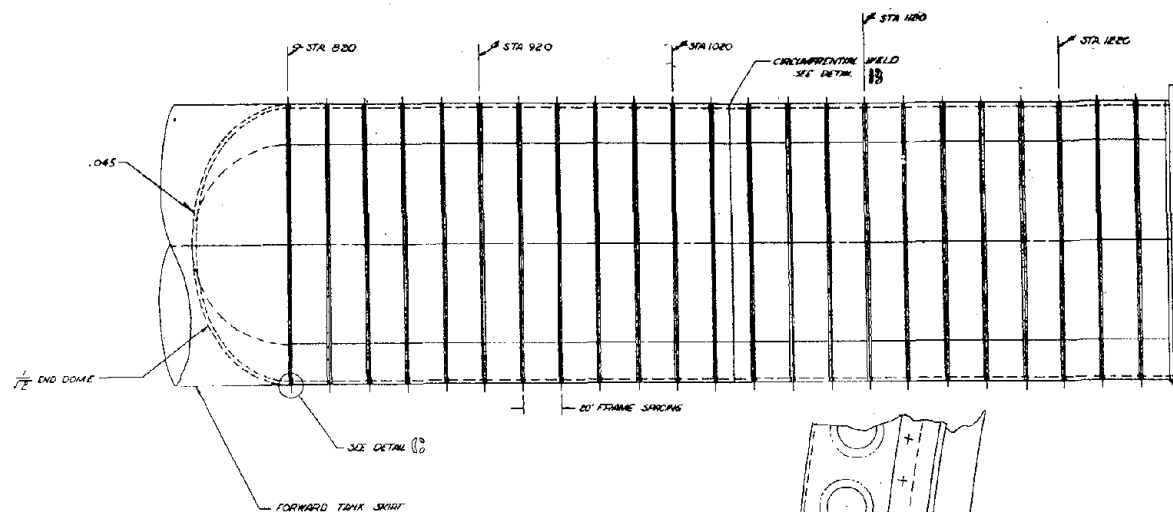
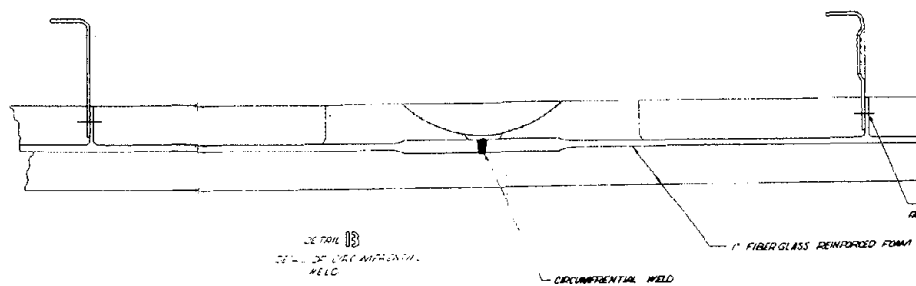
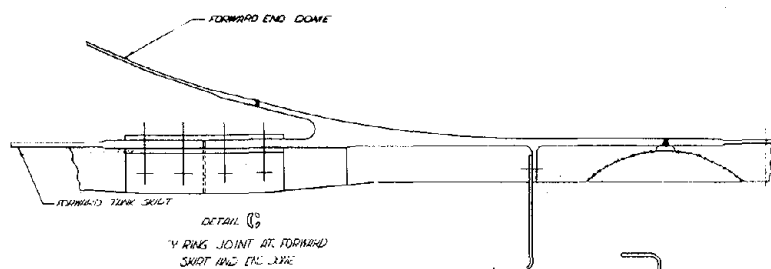
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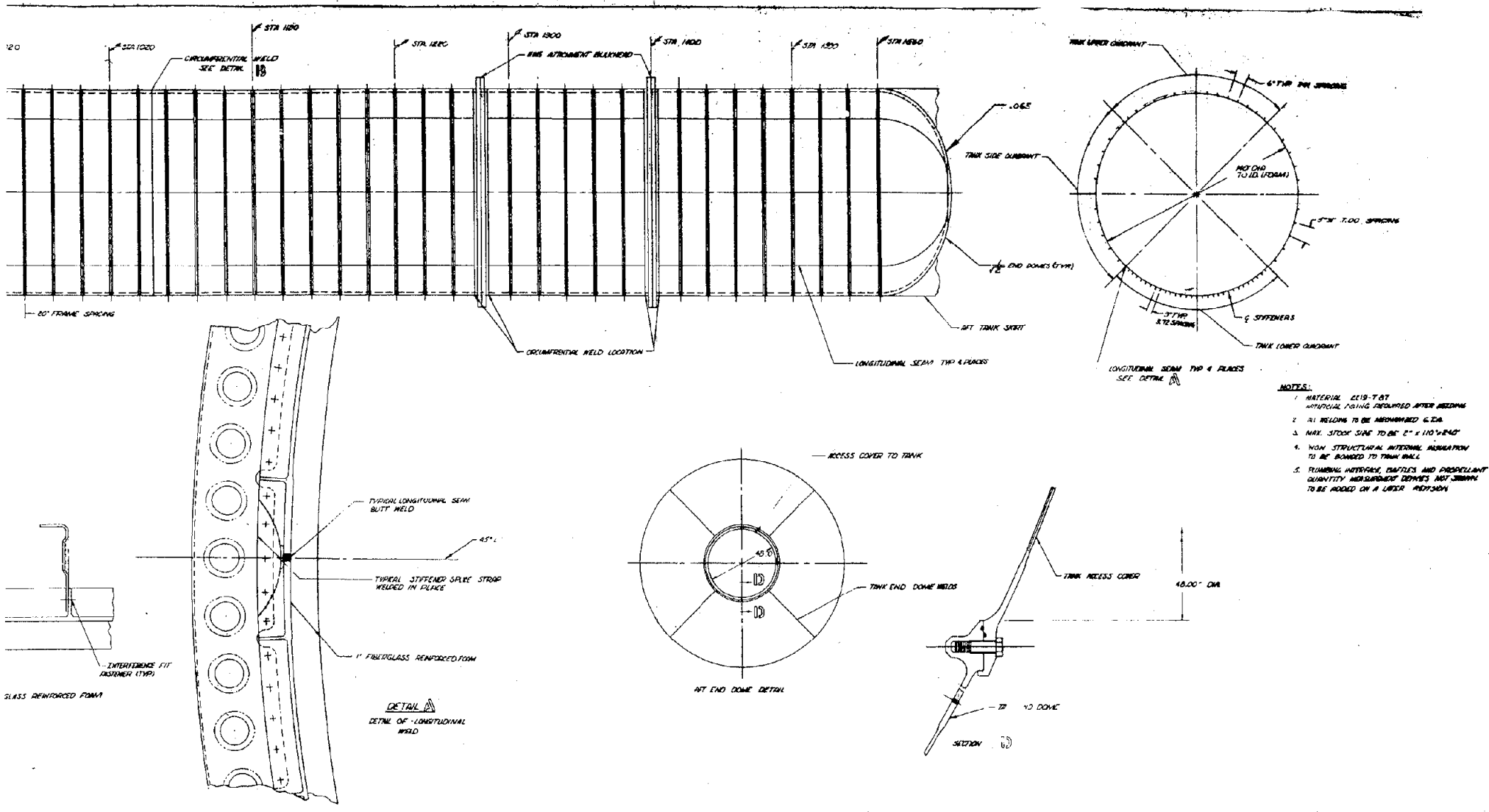
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| STA                 | T <sub>max</sub> | B    | D    | T <sub>max</sub>    | B    | D    | T <sub>max</sub> | T <sub>max</sub>   | B    | D    | T <sub>max</sub> |      |
| 820                 | .090             | 7.44 | 1.80 | .070                | .090 | 3.72 | 1.00             | .059               | .090 | 7.00 | 1.00             | .074 |
| 900                 | .090             | 7.44 | 1.00 | .070                | .090 | 3.72 | 1.40             | .069               | .090 | 7.00 | 1.00             | .074 |
| 1000                | .090             | 7.44 | 1.00 | .070                | .090 | 3.72 | 1.40             | .084               | .090 | 7.00 | 1.00             | .074 |
| 1100                | .090             | 7.44 | 1.40 | .090                | .090 | 3.72 | 1.40             | .096               | .090 | 7.00 | 1.00             | .074 |
| 1200                | .090             | 7.44 | 1.40 | .137                | .090 | 3.72 | 1.70             | .124               | .090 | 7.00 | 1.00             | .074 |
| 1300                | .090             | 7.44 | 1.40 | .187                | 1.10 | 3.72 | 1.70             | .113               | .090 | 7.00 | 1.00             | .074 |
| 1400                | .090             | 7.44 | 1.40 | .145                | 1.10 | 3.72 | 1.70             | .125               | .090 | 7.00 | 1.00             | .074 |
| 1500                | .090             | 7.44 | 1.00 | .117                | 1.10 | 3.72 | 1.70             | .165               | .090 | 7.00 | 1.00             | .074 |
| 1550                | .090             | 7.44 | 1.00 | .100                | 1.10 | 3.72 | 1.70             | .165               | .090 | 7.00 | 1.00             | .074 |

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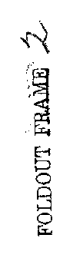


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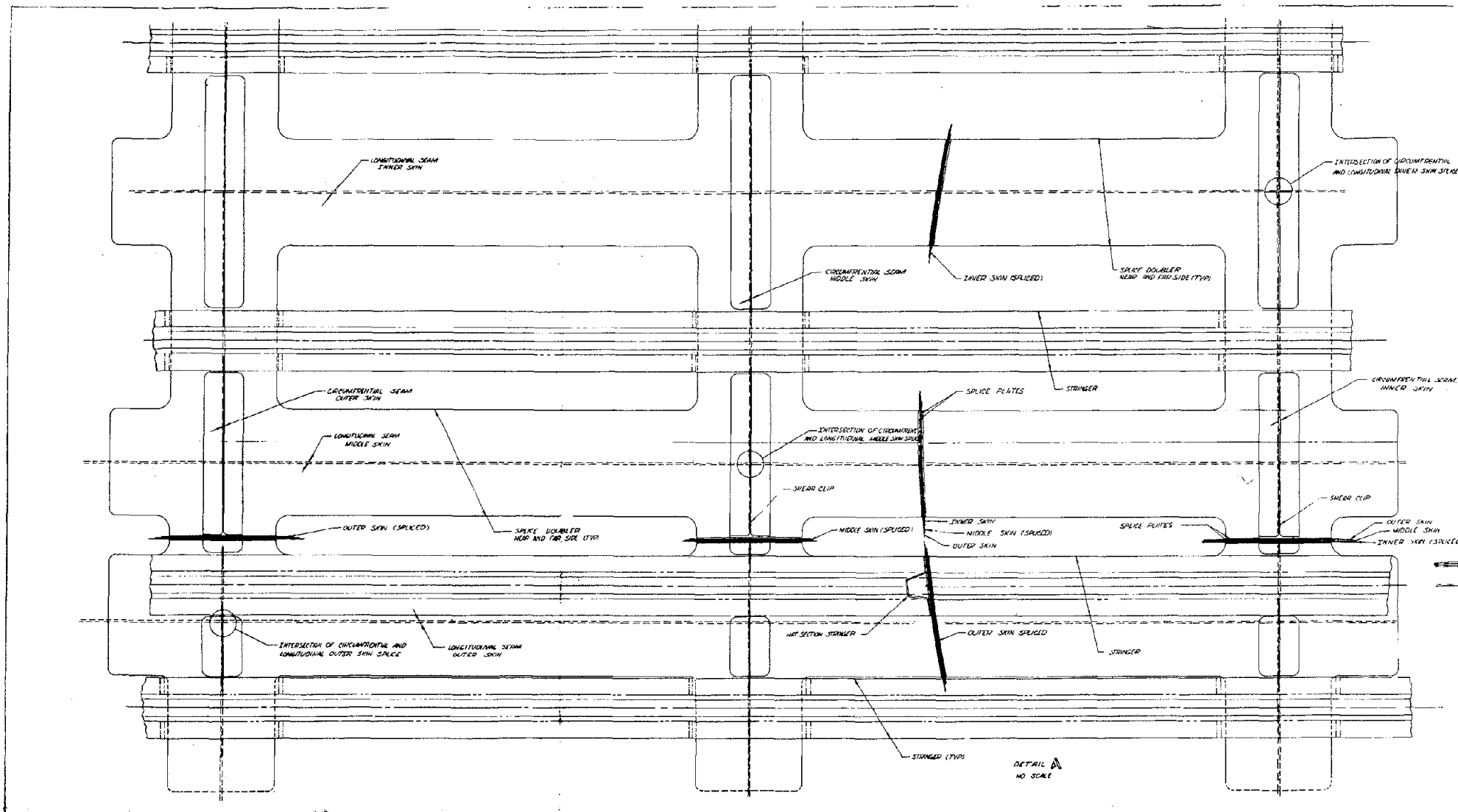
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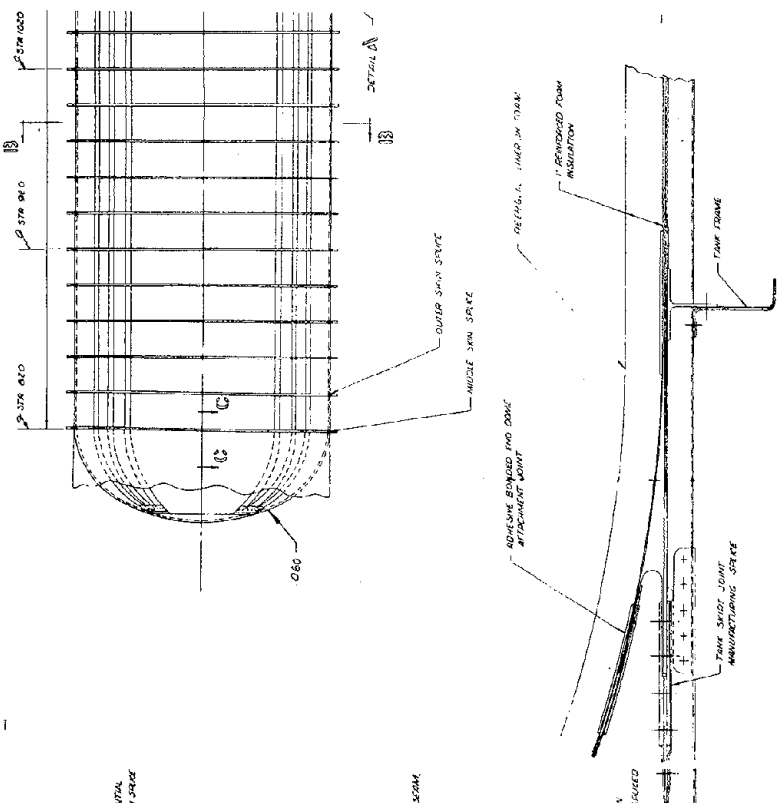






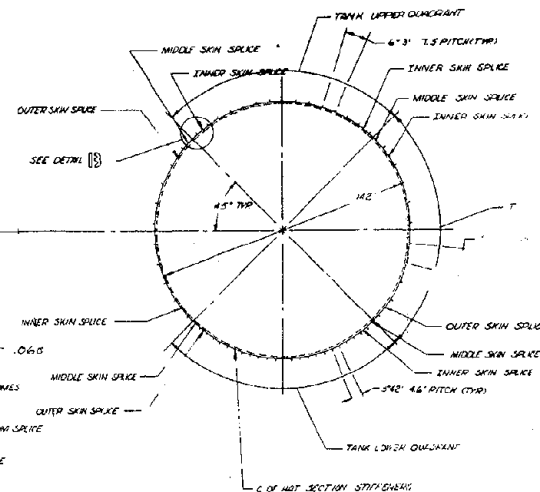
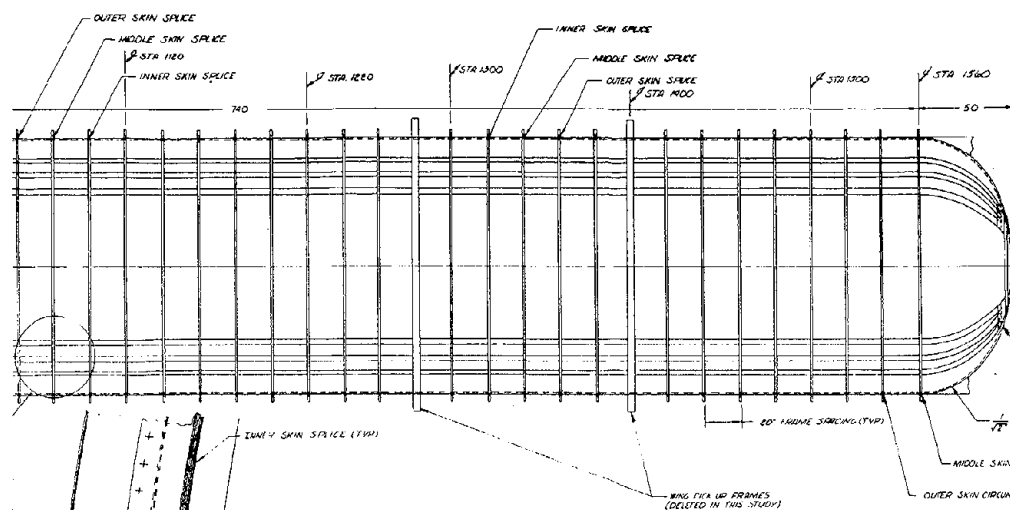
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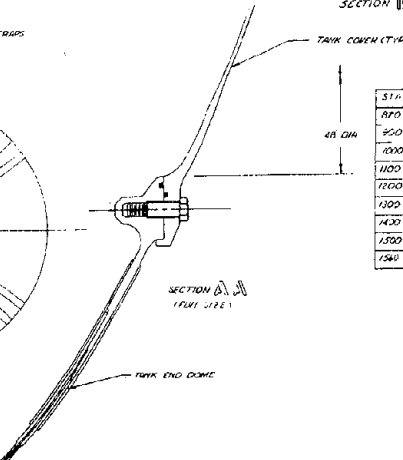
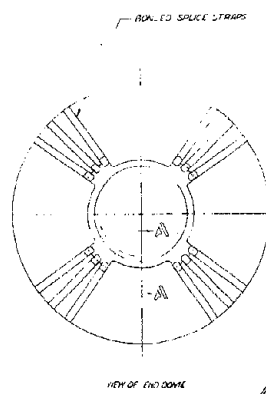
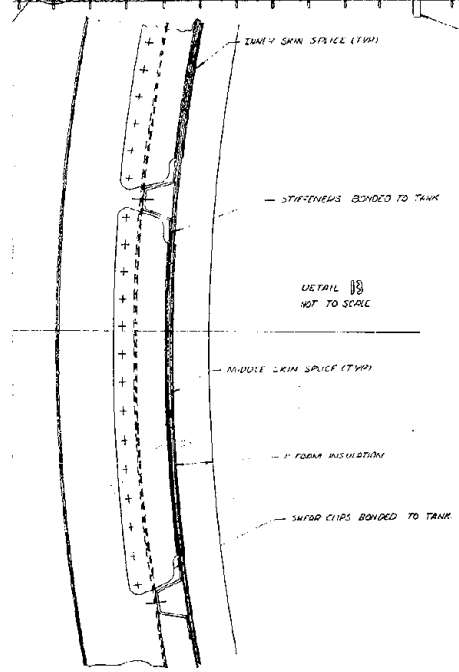


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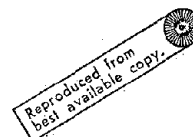
SECTION B-B



| STA  | TANK UPPER QUADRANT |     |                  | TANK LOWER QUADRANT |     |                  | TANK SIDE QUADRANT |      |                  |
|------|---------------------|-----|------------------|---------------------|-----|------------------|--------------------|------|------------------|
|      | T <sub>max</sub>    | B   | R <sub>max</sub> | T <sub>max</sub>    | B   | R <sub>max</sub> | T <sub>max</sub>   | B    | R <sub>max</sub> |
| 870  | .078                | 7.5 | .068             | .090                | 4.6 | .069             | .078               | 7.00 | .084             |
| 920  | .078                | 7.5 | .068             | .090                | 4.6 | .069             | .078               | 7.00 | .084             |
| 1000 | .078                | 7.5 | .068             | .090                | 4.6 | .069             | .078               | 7.00 | .084             |
| 1100 | .078                | 7.5 | .068             | .090                | 4.6 | .069             | .078               | 7.00 | .084             |
| 1200 | .078                | 7.5 | .068             | .090                | 4.6 | .069             | .078               | 7.00 | .084             |
| 1300 | .078                | 7.5 | .068             | .090                | 4.6 | .069             | .078               | 7.00 | .084             |
| 1400 | .078                | 7.5 | .068             | .090                | 4.6 | .069             | .078               | 7.00 | .084             |
| 1500 | .078                | 7.5 | .068             | .090                | 4.6 | .069             | .078               | 7.00 | .084             |
| 1560 | .078                | 7.5 | .068             | .090                | 4.6 | .069             | .078               | 7.00 | .084             |

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NOTES:  
 1. MATERIAL: CE 19-787  
 2. ADHESIVE: SEE REPO  
 3. INSULATION: SEE LOM3  
 4. SKIN: 1/2" ALUMINUM  
 5. STIFFENERS: 1/2" ALUMINUM  
 6. SHIFTER CLIPS: 1/2" ALUMINUM  
 7. TANK END DOME: 1/2" ALUMINUM



Tank

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TABLE 4-11 WEIGHT COMPARISON, MONOLITHIC AND LAMINATED  
DESIGN CONCEPTS

|  | Weight, lbs. (1)     |                      |   |                      |
|--|----------------------|----------------------|---|----------------------|
|  | Monolithic Design    |                      | Laminated Design<br>Metlbond 329 Adhesive |                      |
|  | IO <sub>2</sub> Tank | LH <sub>2</sub> Tank | IO <sub>2</sub> Tank                      | LH <sub>2</sub> Tank |
| <u>Aluminum (2219-T87) Material Per Tank:</u>  |                      |                      |   |                      |
| Tank Walls and Stringers   | 1362.0               | 3649.7               | 1200.0                                    | 3390.4               |
| Forward End Dome Skins   | 77.0                 | 95.0                 | 107.0 <sup>(3)</sup>                      | 154.5 <sup>(3)</sup> |
| Aft End Dome Skins   | 221.0                | 112.0                | 190.0                                     | 154.5 <sup>(3)</sup> |
| Splices  | 100.0                | 183.6                | 150.6                                     | 268.0                |
| Frame Attachments (Per Figures 4 & 5)  |                      |                      | 93.9                                      | 238.0                |
| <u>Aluminum Total</u>  | 1760.0               | 4040.3               | 1741.5                                    | 4205.4               |
| <u>Bond Material Per Tank with Scrim Cloth (2)</u>   |                      |                      |   |                      |
| Tank Walls   |                      |                      | 108.0                                     | 342.0                |
| End Domes  |                      |                      | 45.6                                      | 53.8                 |
| Stringers and Frames   |                      |                      | 10.5                                      | 51.1                 |
| Splices  |                      |                      | 11.1                                      | 68.5                 |
| <u>Bond Total</u>  |                      |                      | 175.2                                     | 515.4                |
| <u>Tank Total</u>  |                      |                      | 1916.7                                    | 4720.8               |
| <u>One IO<sub>2</sub> Tank Plus One LH<sub>2</sub> Tank</u>  | 5800.3               |                      | 6637.5                                    |                      |
| <u>Combined Tank Weight Per Orbiter</u>  | 11,600.6             |                      | 13,275.0                                  |                      |
| <u>Weight Difference Per Orbiter</u>   |                      |                      | +1674.4                                   |                      |
| <u>Weight Saving with Integrally Machined<br/>Frame Attachment per Orbiter</u>                       |                      |                      | 331.9                                     |                      |
| <u>Total Weight Difference Per Orbiter<br/>with Integral Frame Attachment</u>                        |                      |                      | +1342.5                                   |                      |
| NOTES:   |                      |                      |   |                      |
| (1) Frames, y-rings, end dome hatches, and skin tolerances are not included in the weight comparison |                      |                      |   |                      |
| (2) Bond weight: Metlbond 329, wt = 0.075 lb/ft <sup>2</sup>   |                      |                      |   |                      |
| (3) Established by minimum sheet thickness of 0.020 in. per laminate                                 |                      |                      |   |                      |

## Fabrication Of Large Adhesive Bonded Tanks

In the manufacture of large laminated tanks, a major problem is the manner in which the segments of the tank will be joined to form a tank assembly. Several alternate methods of splicing subassemblies are shown schematically in Figures 4-34 and 4-35.

Constraints will be placed on fabrication procedures both by the size of the final article and by material availability sizes. Diameters of both tanks are 140 in. The cylindrical section of the LH<sub>2</sub> tank is 740 in. long. If it is desired to bond and cure the entire LH<sub>2</sub> cylinder in one operation, existing autoclaves could contain the cylinders. Bonding with METLBOND 329 is done using 45 psi autoclave pressure at 350°F. Bonded panels for the L-1011 Tri Star airliner are fabricated in a 22 ft. (264 in.) by 66 ft (792 in.) autoclave capable of operating at 600°F temperature and pressures of 150 psi (Ref. 1) Information received from ALCOA indicates a maximum sheet size in .040 in. gage of 84 in. x 420 in. for 2219-T87.

Figures 4-34 and 4-35 show various methods of fabrication being considered based upon the available stock size of the 2219-T87. Methods 1A, B and C of Figure 4-34 show sheets rolled into cylindrical sections with longitudinal splices closing the cylinders. Based on 84 in. sheet width, nine such cylinders are required to complete the 740 in. cylinder length. These cylinders would be spliced as shown in Figure 4-35. (J).

The tank circumference, 440 in., is just 20 in. longer than the maximum sheet length of 420 in. Method A of Figure 4-34 uses two splices, 180° apart, of equal length sheet. Method B makes use of the full-length stock size and adds a small local piece, still using only two splices. Method C is similar to Method B but offsets splice locations to decrease possibility of leakage. Method D combines adhesive bonding with welding. The material would be rolled into short cylinders with edge members inserted and joined as in Figure 4-35 (M).

If it is desired to orient the sheets with the longitudinal direction along the axis of the tank, Method E of Figure 4-34 may be used. Six longitudinal splices are required to close the cylinder. The two cylindrical sections are joined as shown in Figure 4-35 (L). Method F combines the longitudinal orientation with the welded joint of Method D. In this case the two long cylinders would be joined by a circumferential weld, Figure 4-35 (K).

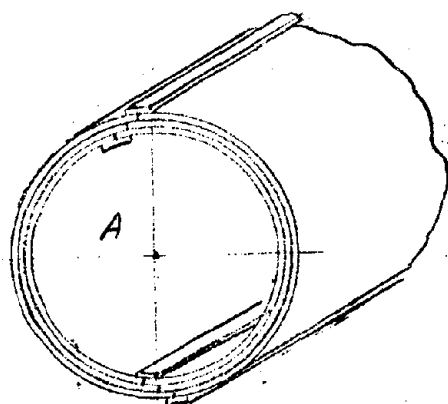
The concepts shown in Figures 4-34 and 4-35 are illustrated only schematically. Practical designs would include thickened areas at welds and adhesive splice areas.

All of these methods allow panels to be bonded and cured in the flat. After curing, the panels can be rolled to the required radius. If it is desired to roll the sheets before bonding, curved mandrel tooling would be required for curing.

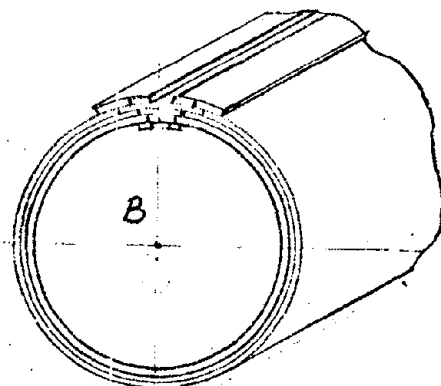
Laminated sheets must be oriented and held in position during curing. Provisions must be made to assure the required lap splice area is available for each sheet. Several methods of meeting this requirement are shown in Figures 4-36 and 4-37.

- Method A: Sheets of equal size are laminated such that equal offsets are made on two adjacent edges. When rolled, the lapped edges of one panel will match with a similar panel.

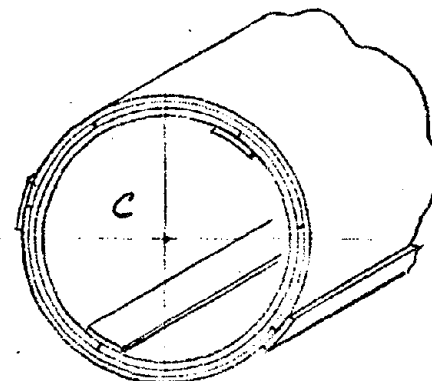
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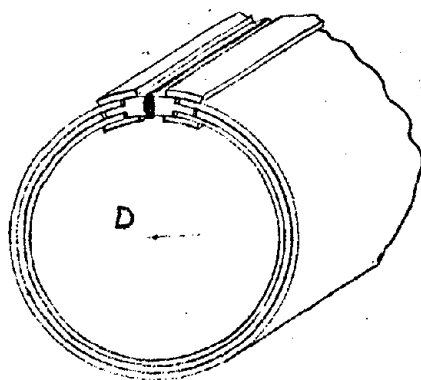
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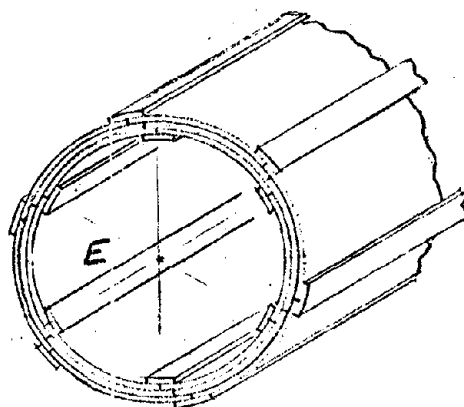
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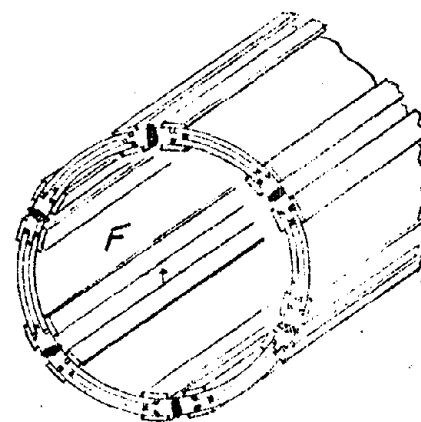
METHOD C



METHOD D



METHOD E



METHOD F

Figure 4-34 Proposed Splices, Adhesive Bonded Laminated Tanks

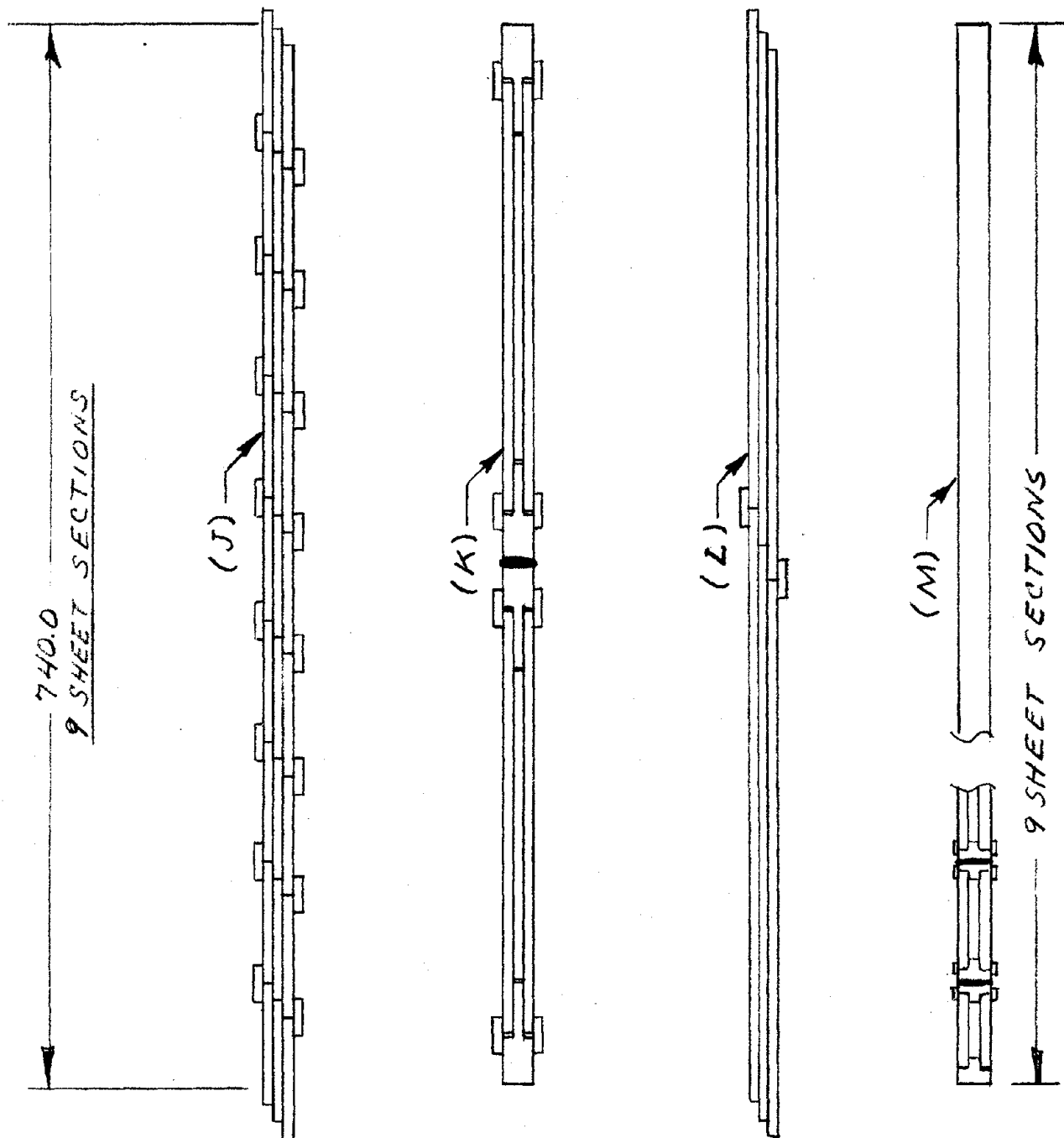


Figure 4-35 Splice Concepts

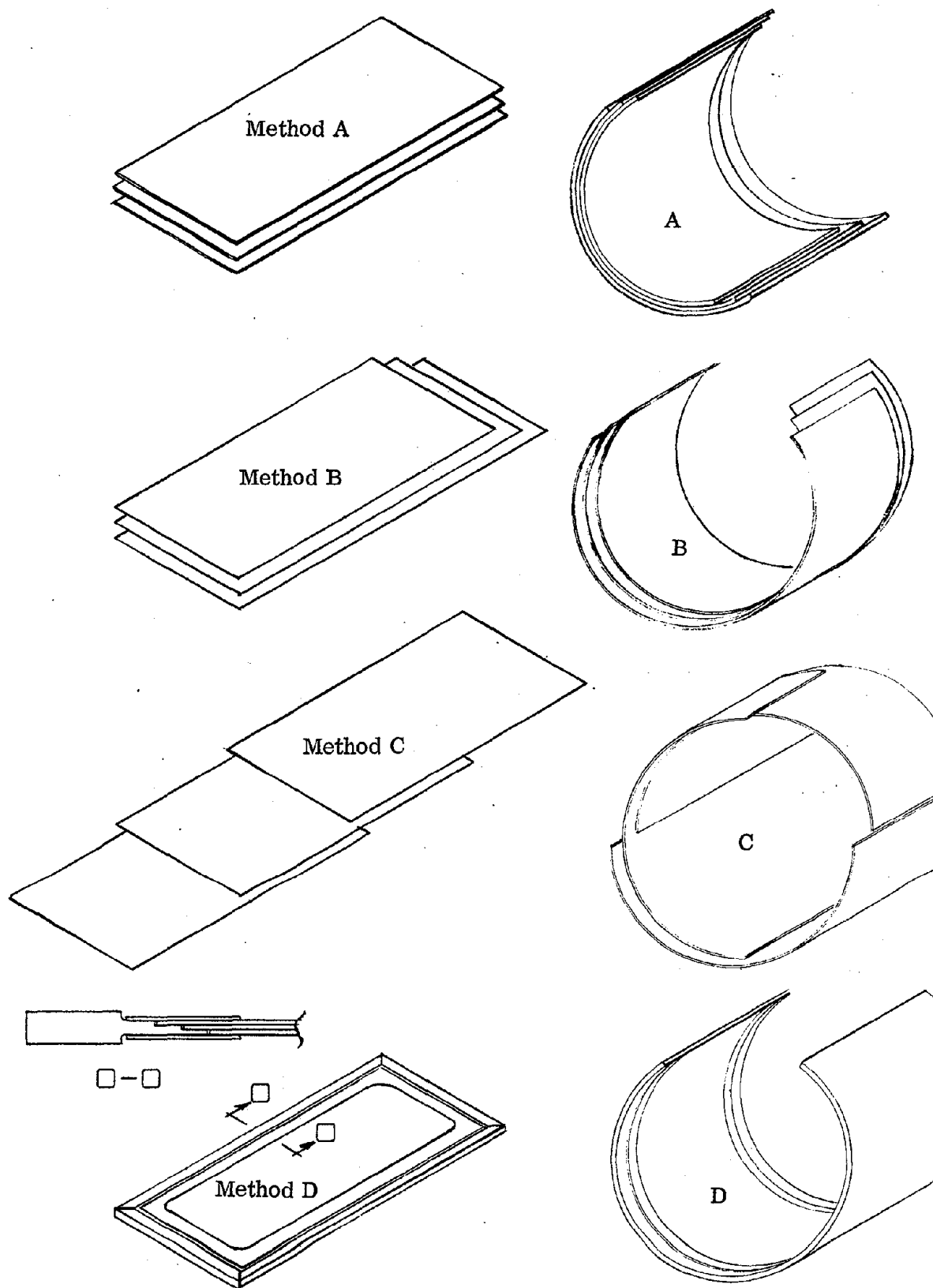


Figure 4-36 Laminating Methods

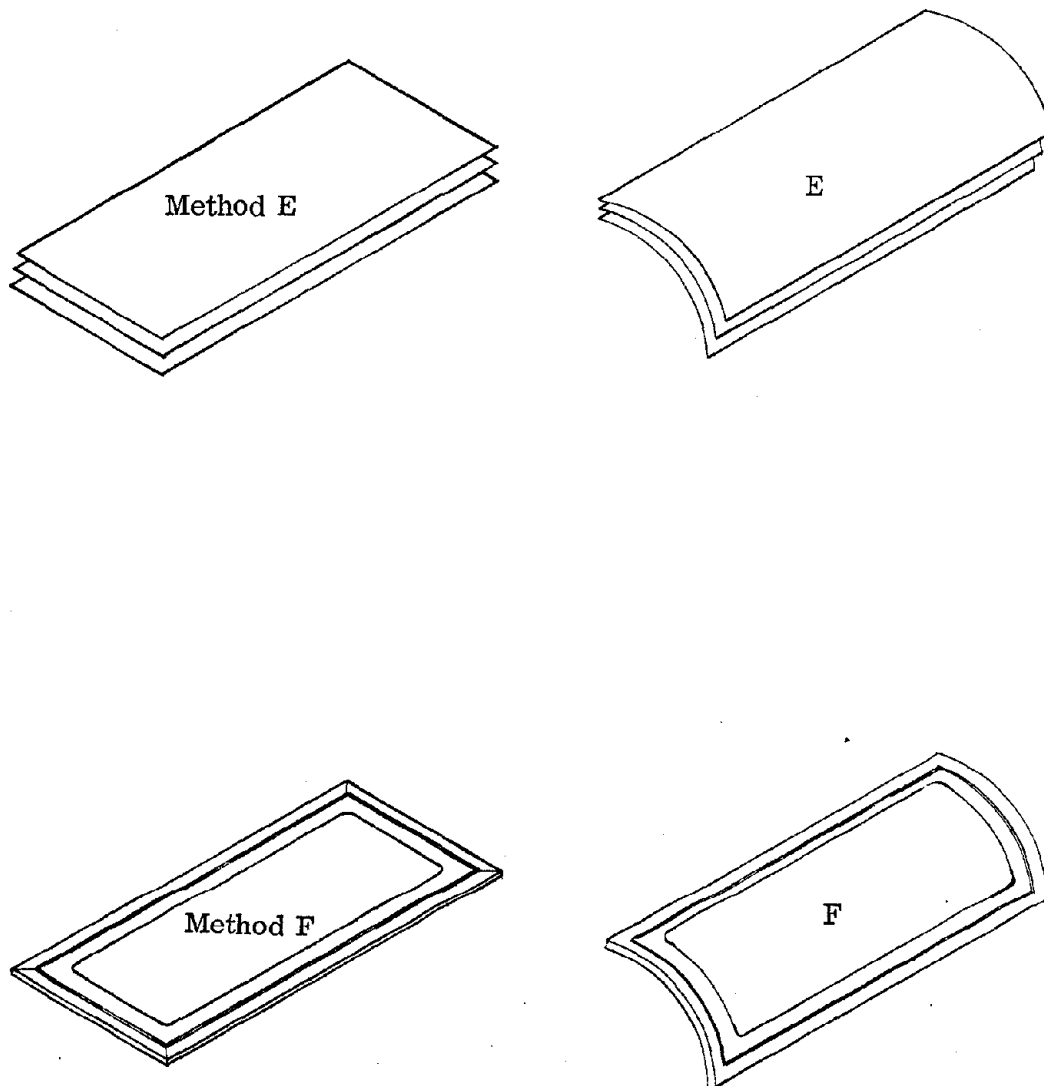


Figure 4-37 Laminating Methods

- Method B: Starting with the largest size sheet practical, each additional sheet is smaller in length and width by twice the required bond lap width. By alternately rolling with the large sheet first inside and then outside, mating splices can be made in both the circumferential and longitudinal directions.
- Method C: This method is similar to Method A except that the splice length is much longer. If the splices of the laminates are staggered by 90° a sheet size of 84 by 440 inches would be required.
- Methods D and F: Both methods use a picture frame of monolithic weldable material which is then bonded into the edges of the laminate. Method D varies from F in the width of the frame pieces and the direction of rolling.
- Method E: This method is identical to A except for the orientation of the laminate for rolling.

Final assembly of the tank cylinder will require accurate alignment tools for all of the methods shown. Rolled laminated sections may be joined longitudinally using a press. The sections to be joined and the splice plates are held in place in the press after the adhesive has been applied. Pressure and temperature required for curing may then be supplied by the press. Cylindrical splices may better be made in an autoclave using vacuum bagging. An internal mandrel is required to position the segments, and assure a true diameter and concentricity of the segments being joined. Suggested assembly procedures for Methods A through F are shown in Figures 4-38 and 4-39.

The optimum assembly setup would hold all the sections to be joined and their splice plates in a single aligning and clamping fixture. The entire assembly could be placed in an autoclave, vacuum bagged and cured in one operation. The two methods requiring welding, D and F, will be able to make use of conventional aligning and expanding tools. Care must be exercised in providing adequate chilling at the weld to prevent degradation of the bond by exposure to high temperature.

#### Bonding Pre-Treatment Investigation

One of the factors that will ultimately affect a decision to use adhesive bonded tank structure is its ability to withstand the service environment. To evaluate processing parameters for various conditions simulating the service environment, lap shear specimens were exposed to humidity, high temperature and salt spray. Results of the lap shear tests were used to select effective pretreatments for bonding 2219-T87 aluminum with METLBOND 329 adhesive.

The processing parameters which were investigated are: molding pressure, cleaning method and primer.

Two molding pressures were considered:

1. 45 psi - noted by symbol 4
2. Atmospheric - noted by symbol A

Two cleaning methods were considered:

1. Per GSS-7022 (sulfuric acid/sodium dichromate solution) noted by symbol 7
2. Vapor degrease and Oakite rinse noted by symbol 0

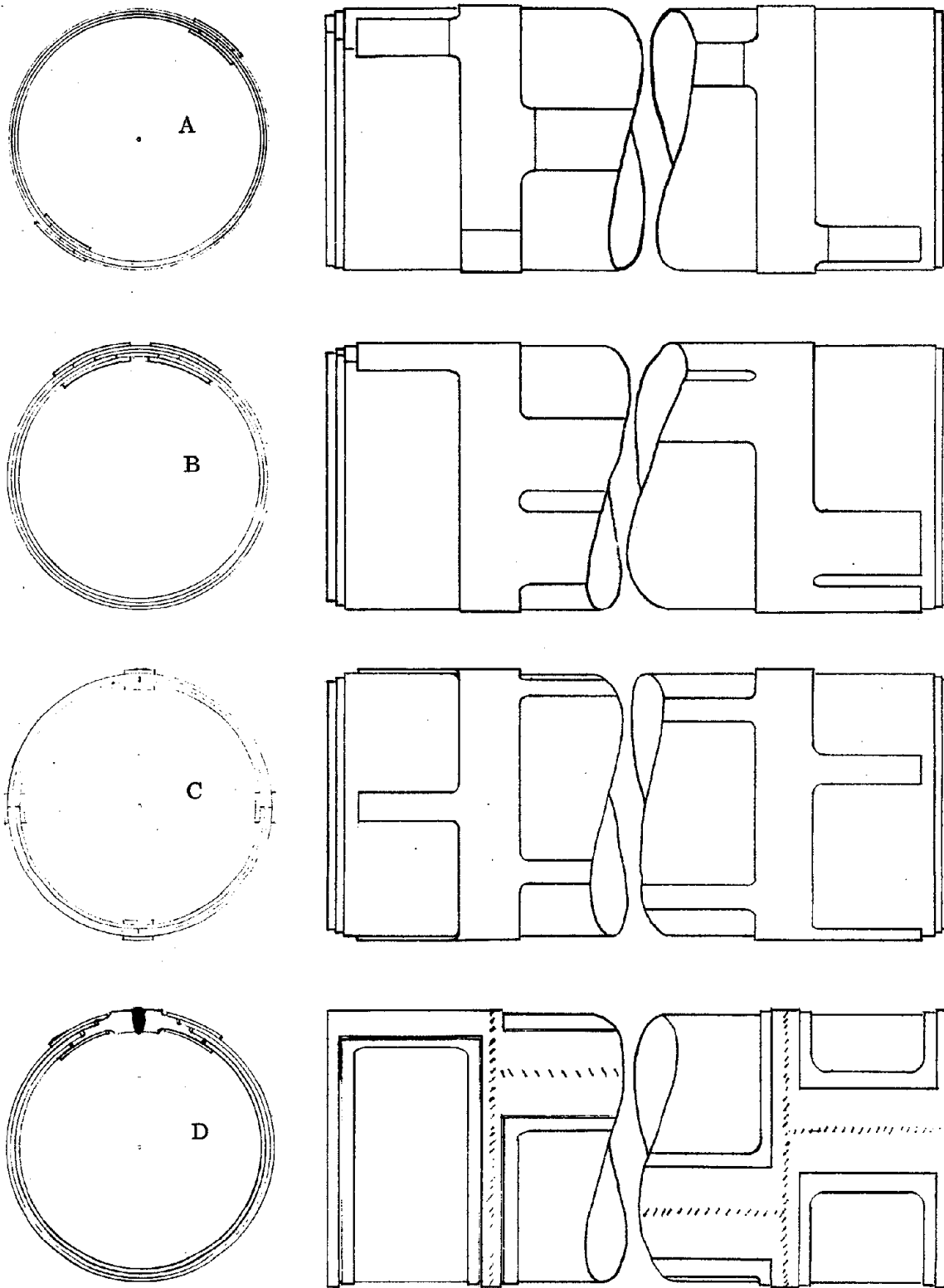


Figure 4-38 Assembly Procedures



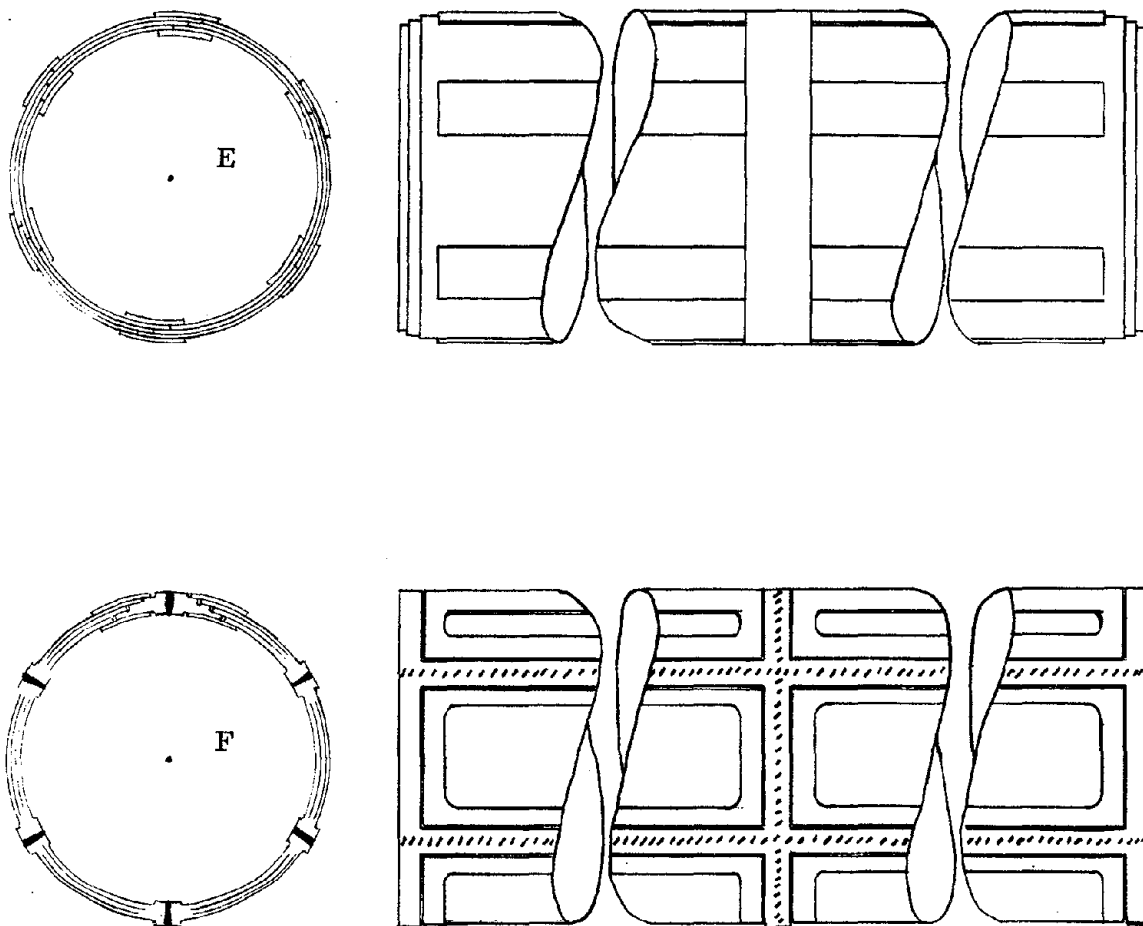


Figure 4-39 Assembly Procedures

Three primer conditions were considered:

1. EC 2333 noted by symbol E
2. No primer, noted by symbol N
3. METLBOND 329 primer, noted by symbol M

Five testing conditions were used:

1. Tensile shear at room temperature
2. Tensile shear at room temperature after 4 days at 350°F and 30 days at 98% relative humidity
3. Tensile shear at room temperature after 30 days at 98% relative humidity
4. Tensile shear at room temperature after 30 day salt spray
5. Tensile shear at room temperature after two weeks aging at 350°F

A specimen designated A-7-E-3 then, is bonded at atmospheric pressure, cleaned per Grumman specification GSS-7002, using EC-2333 primer and tested at room temperature following 30 days exposure to 98% relative humidity.

The following combinations of processing parameters were tested:

|       |       |
|-------|-------|
| A-7-E | 4-7-E |
| A-7-M | 4-7-M |
| A-7-N | 4-7-N |
| A-0-E | 4-0-E |

Each combination was tested for all five testing conditions. Three specimens of each group were tested at each condition. Test results are reported in Tables 4-12 through 4-16. Room temperature results are given in Table 4-12. Results after exposure to a four-day aging at 350°F and 30 days at 98% relative humidity are shown in Table 4-13. Specimens exposed to 30 days at 98% relative humidity are reported on in Table 4-14. Results after a 30-day salt spray are shown in Table 4-15. Specimens given a two-week aging at 350°F are reported on in Table 4-16. A summary of the behavior of the eight different combinations of processing parameters to the five different test conditions is given in Table 4-17.

Average values for the three specimens tested at each condition varied from a high of 2860 psi to a low of 1890 psi. For purposes of evaluation, values above 2300 psi were rated good, and those below 2200 psi were rated poor. On this basis, the best performer was group A-7-M whose values exceeded 2300 psi in four test conditions and reached 2290 psi for two weeks aging at 350°F. Groups 4-7-N and A-7-N were almost as good, exceeding 2300 psi in four conditions and recording 2270 psi and 2245 psi respectively for 30 days at 98% relative humidity. Group 4-7-E also had four values above 2300 psi and 2210 psi for two weeks aging at 350°F.

TABLE 4-12 ROOM TEMPERATURE LAP SHEAR TEST RESULTS,  
BONDING PRE-TREATMENT INVESTIGATION

| Specimen Group | Test Temp, °F | Specimen No. | Width in. | Overlap in. | Bondline Thickness, in. | Bond Area sq in. | Failure Load, lb. | Stress psi | Failure Type |
|----------------|---------------|--------------|-----------|-------------|-------------------------|------------------|-------------------|------------|--------------|
| A-7-E-1        | Rm Temp       | 1            | 1.007     | .58         | .008                    | .58              | 1255              | 2130       | Adhesive     |
|                | Rm Temp       | 2            | 1.008     | .60         | .007                    | .60              | 1315              | 2190       | Adhesive     |
|                | Rm Temp       | 3            | 1.010     | .62         | .007                    | .63              | 1305              | 2070       | Adhesive     |
|                | Average       |              |           |             |                         |                  |                   | 2130       |              |
| A-7-N-1        | Rm Temp       | 1            | 1.005     | .64         | .007                    | .64              | 1651              | 2520       | Adhesive     |
|                | Rm Temp       | 2            | 1.008     | .61         | .006                    | .61              | 1775              | 2910       | Adhesive     |
|                | Rm Temp       | 3            | 1.012     | .60         | .006                    | .61              | 1410              | 2310       | Adhesive     |
|                | Average       |              |           |             |                         |                  |                   | 2580       |              |
| A-7-M-1        | Rm Temp       | 1            | 1.011     | .63         | .007                    | .63              | 1585              | 2520       | Adhesive     |
|                | Rm Temp       | 2            | 1.009     | .63         | .007                    | .63              | 1350              | 2140       | Adhesive     |
|                | Rm Temp       | 3            | 1.009     | .62         | .007                    | .62              | 1510              | 2430       | Adhesive     |
|                | Average       |              |           |             |                         |                  |                   | 2365       |              |
| A-O-E-1        | Rm Temp       | 1            | 1.010     | .62         | .006                    | .62              | 1455              | 2340       | Adhesive     |
|                | Rm Temp       | 2            | 1.010     | .62         | .006                    | .62              | 1610              | 2600       | Adhesive     |
|                | Rm Temp       | 3            | 1.007     | .61         | .007                    | .61              | 1330              | 2180       | Adhesive     |
|                | Average       |              |           |             |                         |                  |                   | 2375       |              |
| 4-7-E-1        | Rm Temp       | 1            | 1.007     | .61         | .006                    | .61              | 1440              | 2360       | Adhesive     |
|                | Rm Temp       | 2            | 1.009     | .61         | .006                    | .61              | 1495              | 2450       | Adhesive     |
|                | Rm Temp       | 3            | 1.009     | .61         | .006                    | .61              | 1375              | 2260       | Adhesive     |
|                | Average       |              |           |             |                         |                  |                   | 2355       |              |
| 4-7-M-1        | Rm Temp       | 1            | 1.013     | .62         | .006                    | .63              | 1535              | 2440       | Adhesive     |
|                | Rm Temp       | 2            | 1.015     | .60         | .006                    | .61              | 1360              | 2240       | Adhesive     |
|                | Rm Temp       | 3            | 1.015     | .62         | .006                    | .63              | 1450              | 2300       | Adhesive     |
|                | Average       |              |           |             |                         |                  |                   | 2325       |              |
| 4-7-N-1        | Rm Temp       | 1            | 1.019     | .61         | .006                    | .62              | 1435              | 2310       | Adhesive     |
|                | Rm Temp       | 2            | 1.017     | .62         | .006                    | .63              | 1455              | 2310       | Adhesive     |
|                | Rm Temp       | 3            | 1.015     | .64         | .006                    | .65              | 1495              | 2300       | Adhesive     |
|                | Average       |              |           |             |                         |                  |                   | 2305       |              |
| 4-O-E-1        | Rm Temp       | 1            | 1.014     | .61         | .006                    | .62              | 1270              | 2040       | Adhesive     |
|                | Rm Temp       | 2            | 1.013     | .60         | .006                    | .61              | 1205              | 1975       | Adhesive     |
|                | Rm Temp       | 3            | 1.013     | .60         | .006                    | .61              | 1325              | 2170       | Adhesive     |
|                | Average       |              |           |             |                         |                  |                   | 2060       |              |

TABLE 4-13 LAP SHEAR TEST RESULTS, FOUR DAYS AGING AT 350°  
AND 30-DAY EXPOSURE TO 98% RELATIVE HUMIDITY,  
BONDING PRE-TREATMENT INVESTIGATION

| Specimen Group | Test Temp, °F | Specimen No. | Width in. | Overlap in. | Bondline Thickness, in. | Bond Area sq in. | Failure Load lb. | Stress psi | Failure Type             |
|----------------|---------------|--------------|-----------|-------------|-------------------------|------------------|------------------|------------|--------------------------|
| A-7-E-2        | Rm Temp       | 1            | 1.01      | .60         | .008                    | .61              | 1482             | 2430       | Adhesive                 |
|                | Rm Temp       | 2            | 1.01      | .60         | .007                    | .61              | 1468             | 2400       | Adhesive                 |
|                | Rm Temp       | 3            | 1.01      | .60         | .007                    | .61              | 1496             | 2450       | Adhesive                 |
|                | Average       |              |           |             |                         |                  |                  | 2430       |                          |
| A-7-M-2        | Rm Temp       | 1            | 1.01      | .60         | .008                    | .61              | 1548             | 2540       | Adhesive                 |
|                | Rm Temp       | 2            | 1.01      | .60         | .008                    | .61              | 1536             | 2520       | Adhesive                 |
|                | Rm Temp       | 3            | 1.01      | .60         | .009                    | .61              | 1456             | 2390       | Adhesive                 |
|                | Average       |              |           |             |                         |                  |                  | 2480       |                          |
| A-7-N-2        | Rm Temp       | 1            | 1.01      | .60         | .008                    | .61              | 1568             | 2570       | Adhesive                 |
|                | Rm Temp       | 2            | 1.01      | .60         | .007                    | .61              | 1628             | 2670       | Adhesive                 |
|                | Rm Temp       | 3            | 1.01      | .60         | .007                    | .61              | 1628             | 2670       | Adhesive                 |
|                | Average       |              |           |             |                         |                  |                  | 2640       |                          |
| A-O-E-2        | Rm Temp       | 1            | 1.01      | .60         | .008                    | .61              | 1360             | 2230       | Adhesive                 |
|                | Rm Temp       | 2            | 1.01      | .60         | .008                    | .61              | 1392             | 2280       | Adhesive                 |
|                | Rm Temp       | 3            | 1.01      | .60         | .007                    | .61              | 1306             | 2140       | Adhesive                 |
|                | Average       |              |           |             |                         |                  |                  | 2220       |                          |
| 4-7-E-2        | Rm Temp       | 1            | 1.01      | .60         | .007                    | .61              | 1502             | 2460       | 5% Cohesive-95% Adhesive |
|                | Rm Temp       | 2            | 1.01      | .60         | .007                    | .61              | 1448             | 2370       |                          |
|                | Rm Temp       | 3            | 1.01      | .60         | .007                    | .61              | 1504             | 2470       |                          |
|                | Average       |              |           |             |                         |                  |                  | 2430       |                          |
| 4-7-M-2        | Rm Temp       | 1            | 1.01      | .60         | .007                    | .61              | 1484             | 2430       | Adhesive                 |
|                | Rm Temp       | 2            | 1.01      | .60         | .007                    | .61              | 1504             | 2470       | Adhesive                 |
|                | Rm Temo       | 3            | 1.01      | .60         | .006                    | .61              | 1482             | 2430       | Adhesive                 |
|                | Average       |              |           |             |                         |                  |                  | 2440       |                          |
| 4-7-N-2        | Rm Temp       | 1            | 1.01      | .60         | .007                    | .61              | 1720             | 2820       | Adhesive                 |
|                | Rm Temp       | 2            | 1.01      | .60         | .008                    | .61              | 1804             | 2960       | Adhesive                 |
|                | Rm Temp       | 3            | 1.01      | .60         | .008                    | .61              | 1714             | 2810       | Adhesive                 |
|                | Average       |              |           |             |                         |                  |                  | 2860       |                          |
| 4-O-E-2        | Rm Temp       | 1            | 1.01      | .60         | .007                    | .61              | 1570             | 2570       | Adhesive                 |
|                | Rm Temp       | 2            | 1.01      | .60         | .007                    | .61              | 1512             | 2480       | Adhesive                 |
|                | Rm Temp       | 3            | 1.01      | .60         | .007                    | .61              | 1528             | 2500       | Adhesive                 |
|                | Average       |              |           |             |                         |                  |                  | 2520       |                          |

TABLE 4-14 LAP SHEAR TEST RESULTS, 30-DAY EXPOSURE TO 98%  
RELATIVE HUMIDITY, BONDING PRE-TREATMENT  
INVESTIGATION

| Specimen Group | Test Temp, °F | Specimen No. | Width, in. | Overlap, in. | Bondline Thickness, in. | Bond Area, sq in. | Failure Load, lb. | Stress psi | Failure Type |
|----------------|---------------|--------------|------------|--------------|-------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|------------|--------------|
| A-7-E-3        | Rm Temp       | 1            | 1.007      | .60          | .008                    | .61               | 1320              | 2160       | Adhesive     |
|                | Rm Temp       | 2            | 1.006      | .60          | .006                    | .61               | 1345              | 2210       | Adhesive     |
|                | Rm Temp       | 3            | 1.009      | .60          | .007                    | .61               | 1340              | 2200       | Adhesive     |
|                |               |              |            |              |                         |                   | Average           | 2190       |              |
| A-7-M-3        | Rm Temp       | 1            | 1.008      | .61          | .007                    | .61               | 1655              | 2710       | Adhesive     |
|                | Rm Temp       | 2            | 1.005      | .60          | .007                    | .60               | 1505              | 2510       | Adhesive     |
|                | Rm Temp       | 3            | 1.008      | .61          | .007                    | .61               | 1590              | 2610       | Adhesive     |
|                |               |              |            |              |                         |                   | Average           | 2610       |              |
| A-7-N-3        | Rm Temp       | 1            | 1.007      | .61          | .007                    | .61               | 1420              | 2330       | Adhesive     |
|                | Rm Temp       | 2            | 1.005      | .62          | .007                    | .62               | 1390              | 2240       | Adhesive     |
|                | Rm Temp       | 3            | 1.008      | .61          | .007                    | .61               | 1325              | 2170       | Adhesive     |
|                |               |              |            |              |                         |                   | Average           | 2245       |              |
| A-0-E-3        | Rm Temp       | 1            | 1.009      | .62          | .006                    | .63               | 1210              | 1920       | Adhesive     |
|                | Rm Temp       | 2            | 1.008      | .62          | .006                    | .63               | 1210              | 1920       | Adhesive     |
|                | Rm Temp       | 3            | 1.008      | .62          | .007                    | .63               | 1155              | 1835       | Adhesive     |
|                |               |              |            |              |                         |                   | Average           | 1890       |              |
| 4-7-E-3        | Rm Temp       | 1            | 1.010      | .60          | .006                    | .61               | 1380              | 2260       | Adhesive     |
|                | Rm Temp       | 2            | 1.006      | .60          | .006                    | .60               | 1440              | 2400       | Adhesive     |
|                | Rm Temp       | 3            | 1.006      | .61          | .006                    | .60               | 1545              | 2570       | Adhesive     |
|                |               |              |            |              |                         |                   | Average           | 2410       |              |
| 4-7-M-3        | Rm Temp       | 1            | 1.01       | .62          | .007                    | .63               | 1400              | 2220       | Adhesive     |
|                | Rm Temp       | 2            | 1.02       | .62          | .007                    | .63               | 1490              | 2360       | Adhesive     |
|                | Rm Temp       | 3            | 1.02       | .62          | .007                    | .63               | 1446              | 2290       | Adhesive     |
|                |               |              |            |              |                         |                   | Average           | 2290       |              |
| 4-7-N-3        | Rm Temp       | 1            | 1.02       | .61          | .008                    | .62               | 1438              | 2320       | Adhesive     |
|                | Rm Temp       | 2            | 1.01       | .62          | .008                    | .63               | 1460              | 2320       | Adhesive     |
|                | Rm Temp       | 3            | 1.01       | .62          | .008                    | .63               | 1372              | 2180       | Adhesive     |
|                |               |              |            |              |                         |                   | Average           | 2270       |              |
| 4-0-E-3        | Rm Temp       | 1            | 1.02       | .60          | .007                    | .61               | 1230              | 2160       | Adhesive     |
|                | Rm Temp       | 2            | 1.01       | .60          | .007                    | .61               | 1640              | 2670       | Adhesive     |
|                | Rm Temp       | 3            | 1.01       | .60          | .007                    | .61               | 1372              | 2250       | Adhesive     |
|                |               |              |            |              |                         |                   | Average           | 2360       |              |

TABLE 4-15 LAP SHEAR TEST RESULTS, 30-DAY SALT SPRAY  
EXPOSURE, BONDING PRE-TREATMENT INVESTIGATION

| Specimen Group | Test Temp, °F | Specimen No. | Width, in. | Overlap, in. | Bond Area sq in. | Failure Load lb. | Stress, psi | Failure Type |
|----------------|---------------|--------------|------------|--------------|------------------|------------------|-------------|--------------|
| A-7-E-4        | Rm Temp       | 1            | 1.00       | .60          | .60              | 1498             | 2500        | Adhesive     |
|                | Rm Temp       | 2            | 1.00       | .60          | .60              | 1628             | 2710        | Adhesive     |
|                | Rm Temp       | 3            | 1.00       | .60          | .60              | 1422             | 2370        | Adhesive     |
|                |               |              |            |              |                  | Average          | 2530        |              |
| A-7-M-4        | Rm Temp       | 1            | 1.00       | .60          | .60              | 1670             | 2780        | Adhesive     |
|                | Rm Temp       | 2            | 1.00       | .60          | .60              | 1744             | 2910        | Adhesive     |
|                | Rm Temp       | 3            | 1.00       | .60          | .60              | 1704             | 2840        | Adhesive     |
|                |               |              |            |              |                  | Average          | 2840        |              |
| A-7-N-4        | Rm Temp       | 1            | 1.00       | .60          | .60              | 1382             | 2300        | Adhesive     |
|                | Rm Temp       | 2            | 1.00       | .60          | .60              | 1406             | 2340        | Adhesive     |
|                | Rm Temp       | 3            | 1.00       | .60          | .60              | 1430             | 2380        | Adhesive     |
|                |               |              |            |              |                  | Average          | 2340        |              |
| A-O-E-4        | Rm Temp       | 1            | 1.00       | .60          | .60              | 1160             | 1930        | Adhesive     |
|                | Rm Temp       | 2            | 1.00       | .60          | .60              | 1174             | 1960        | Adhesive     |
|                | Rm Temp       | 3            | 1.00       | .60          | .60              | 1172             | 1950        | Adhesive     |
|                |               |              |            |              |                  | Average          | 1950        |              |
| 4-7-E-4        | Rm Temp       | 1            | 1.00       | .60          | .60              | 1314             | 2190        | Adhesive     |
|                | Rm Temp       | 2            | 1.00       | .60          | .60              | 1680             | 2800        | Adhesive     |
|                | Rm Temp       | 3            | 1.00       | .60          | .60              | 1602             | 2670        | Adhesive     |
|                |               |              |            |              |                  | Average          | 2550        |              |
| 4-7-M-4        | Rm Temp       | 1            | 1.00       | .60          | .60              | 1498             | 2500        | Adhesive     |
|                | Rm Temp       | 2            | 1.00       | .60          | .60              | 1434             | 2390        | Adhesive     |
|                | Rm Temp       | 3            | 1.00       | .60          | .60              | 1452             | 2420        | Adhesive     |
|                |               |              |            |              |                  | Average          | 2440        |              |
| 4-7-N-4        | Rm Temp       | 1            | 1.00       | .60          | .60              | 1450             | 2420        | Adhesive     |
|                | Rm Temp       | 2            | 1.00       | .60          | .60              | 1496             | 2490        | Adhesive     |
|                | Rm Temp       | 3            | 1.00       | .60          | .60              | -                | -           | Adhesive     |
|                |               |              |            |              |                  | Average          | 2460        |              |
| 4-O-E-4        | Rm Temp       | 1            | 1.00       | .60          | .60              | 1300             | 2170        | Adhesive     |
|                | Rm Temp       | 2            | 1.00       | .60          | .60              | 1288             | 2150        | Adhesive     |
|                | Rm Temp       | 3            | 1.00       | .60          | .60              | 1298             | 2160        | Adhesive     |
|                |               |              |            |              |                  | Average          | 2160        |              |

TABLE 4-16 LAP SHEAR TEST RESULTS, TWO WEEKS AGING AT 350°F,  
BONDING PRE-TREATMENT INVESTIGATION

| Specimen Group | Test Temp, °F | Specimen No. | Width, in. | Overlap, in. | Bondline Thickness, in. | Bond Area, sq in. | Failure Load, lb. | Stress, psi | Failure Type |
|----------------|---------------|--------------|------------|--------------|-------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------|--------------|
| A-7-E-5        | Rm Temp       | 1            | 1.01       | .62          | .009                    | .63               | 1438              | 2280        | Adhesive     |
|                | Rm Temp       | 2            | 1.01       | .60          | .009                    | .61               | 1464              | 2400        | Adhesive     |
|                | Rm Temp       | 3            | 1.00       | .60          | .009                    | .60               | 1410              | 2350        | Adhesive     |
|                |               |              |            |              |                         |                   | Average           | 2340        |              |
| A-7-N-5        | Rm Temp       | 1            | 1.01       | .60          | .008                    | .61               | 1420              | 2330        | Adhesive     |
|                | Rm Temp       | 2            | 1.01       | .60          | .008                    | .61               | 1466              | 2400        | Adhesive     |
|                | Rm Temp       | 3            | 1.01       | .60          | .009                    | .61               | 1390              | 2280        | Adhesive     |
|                |               |              |            |              |                         |                   | Average           | 2340        |              |
| A-7-M-5        | Rm Temp       | 1            | 1.01       | .60          | .009                    | .61               | 1440              | 2360        | Adhesive     |
|                | Rm Temp       | 2            | 1.01       | .60          | .009                    | .61               | 1378              | 2260        | Adhesive     |
|                | Rm Temp       | 3            | 1.01       | .60          | .009                    | .61               | 1382              | 2260        | Adhesive     |
|                |               |              |            |              |                         |                   | Average           | 2290        |              |
| A-O-E-5        | Rm Temp       | 1            | 1.01       | .60          | .008                    | .61               | 1254              | 2060        | Adhesive     |
|                | Rm Temp       | 2            | 1.01       | .60          | .008                    | .61               | 1238              | 2030        | Adhesive     |
|                | Rm Temp       | 3            | 1.01       | .60          | .008                    | .61               | 1200              | 1970        | Adhesive     |
|                |               |              |            |              |                         |                   | Average           | 2020        |              |
| 4-7-E-5        | Rm Temp       | 1            | 1.01       | .62          | .008                    | .63               | 1384              | 2200        | Adhesive     |
|                | Rm Temp       | 2            | 1.01       | .62          | .007                    | .63               | 1368              | 2170        | Adhesive     |
|                | Rm Temp       | 3            | 1.01       | .64          | .008                    | .65               | 1462              | 2250        | Adhesive     |
|                |               |              |            |              |                         |                   | Average           | 2210        |              |
| 4-7-N-5        | Rm Temp       | 1            | 1.01       | .62          | .008                    | .63               | 1534              | 2440        | Adhesive     |
|                | Rm Temp       | 2            | 1.02       | .62          | .008                    | .63               | 1584              | 2520        | Adhesive     |
|                | Rm Temp       | 3            | 1.02       | .62          | .009                    | .63               | 1566              | 2480        | Adhesive     |
|                |               |              |            |              |                         |                   | Average           | 2480        |              |
| 4-7-M-5        | Rm Temp       | 1            | 1.02       | .60          | .008                    | .61               | 1308              | 2140        | Adhesive     |
|                | Rm Temp       | 2            | 1.01       | .60          | .007                    | .61               | 1286              | 2110        | Adhesive     |
|                | Rm Temp       | 3            | 1.01       | .60          | .007                    | .61               | 1290              | 2120        | Adhesive     |
|                |               |              |            |              |                         |                   | Average           | 2120        |              |
| 4-O-E-5        | Rm Temp       | 1            | 1.01       | .60          | .008                    | .61               | 1330              | 2180        | Adhesive     |
|                | Rm Temp       | 2            | 1.01       | .60          | .007                    | .61               | 1330              | 2180        | Adhesive     |
|                | Rm Temp       | 3            | 1.02       | .60          | .007                    | .61               | 1290              | 2110        | Adhesive     |
|                |               |              |            |              |                         |                   | Average           | 2160        |              |

TABLE 4-17 LAP SHEAR TEST RESULTS SUMMARY, BONDING PRE-TREATMENT INVESTIGATION

| Specimen Group | Average Room Temperature Lap Shear Stress |                                       |                            |                      |                     |
|----------------|---|---------------------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------|---------------------|
|                | Room Temperature                          | 4 Days at 350°F,<br>30 Days at 98% RH | 30 Days at<br>98% Rel. Hum | 30 Day<br>Salt Spray | 2 Weeks<br>at 350°F |
| A-7-E          | 2130                                      | 2430                                  | 2190                       | 2530                 | 2340                |
| A-7-M          | 2365                                      | 2480                                  | 2610                       | 2840                 | 2290                |
| A-7-N          | 2580                                      | 2640                                  | 2245                       | 2340                 | 2340                |
| A-O-E          | 2375                                      | 2220                                  | 1890                       | 1950                 | 2020                |
| 4-7-E          | 2355                                      | 2430                                  | 2410                       | 2250                 | 2210                |
| 4-7-M          | 2325                                      | 2440                                  | 2290                       | 2440                 | 2120                |
| 4-7-N          | 2305                                      | 2860                                  | 2270                       | 2460                 | 2480                |
| 4-O-E          | 2060                                      | 2520                                  | 2360                       | 2160                 | 2160                |



A slightly lower level of performance was recorded for groups 4-7-M and A-7-E. Each group had 3 values over 2300 psi but also had one group just slightly above 2100 psi. The lowest level of performance is indicated for groups 4-0-E and A-0-E.

Preliminary conclusions from this data indicate that:

- Molding pressures of 45 psi (4), and atmospheric pressure (A) such as is used in vacuum bag molding, both produce acceptable bonds.
- Specimens cleaned per GSS-7022 (7), in general gave good results, while those cleaned by vapor degreasing and an Oakite rinse (0), gave the poorest result of all combinations tested.
- Good results were obtained using the METLBOND 329 primer or no primer. EC 2333 primer gave good results when used with 45 psi molding pressure.

#### Welding of Laminated Plate

Tensile specimens were machined from butt-welded samples of the three different roll diffusion bonded plates. Straight butt welds were made between twelve inch long, six inch wide pieces along the twelve inch edge. Specimens were TIG fusion welded using 2319 filler wire. No post-welding heat treatment was performed. Six specimens of each interlayer thickness were prepared. Three specimens were tested in the as-welded condition, and three had the weld ground flush. Test results for the three interlayer thickness materials are given in Tables 4-18 through 4-20.

Since the specimens were of constant thickness, it is to be expected that the material with the thickest interlayers would give the lowest strength.

In general, the test results followed this relationship.

To assess weld efficiency in the laminated plate, tensile specimens were prepared from unwelded laminated material and tested under the same conditions as the welded specimens. Results of the tensile tests on the unwelded laminated material are shown in Table 4-21.

A summary of the weld test strengths for the three laminated materials and the strength of the unwelded material is shown in Table 4-22. Ultimate weld strengths for the three laminates are all greater than 40,000 psi in the "as-welded" condition. Typical "as-welded" properties for monolithic 2219-T87 material are: yield strength 30 KSI and ultimate strength, 41 ksi (Ref. 2). The ultimate strengths of the welded laminate are very close to the typical data but the yield strengths show a reduction of approximately 2.5 KSI for the .004 and .008 laminates and 4.5 KSI for the .012 laminate in the "as-welded" condition. The actual interlayer thickness in the nominal .012 laminate is .010 in., so that approximately 85% of the specimen is structural material. This would indicate that the structural material is behaving essentially as typical monolithic material ( $.85 \times 30 \text{ KSI} = 25.5 \text{ KSI}$ ) with no apparent degradation of the structural material due to the presence of the 1100 alloy interlayer.

Photographs were taken of a section through the weld in the laminated plate. Figure 4-40 shows the weld with the bead on at 20x magnification. The fusion zone is in the center of the picture, the darker areas to either side of the fusion zone are the heat affected zone and at the edge of the picture is the parent material. Note that the 1100 interlayer extends into the fusion zone. The melting range of the 1100 aluminum is 1190 to 1215°F while the melt-

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Ref 2: Alcoa Green Letter, Aluminum Alloy 2219, June 1967

TABLE 4-18 TENSILE TEST RESULTS, BUTT WELD IN .004 INTER-LAYER LAMINATED 2219-T87 ALUMINUM PLATE, 2319 FILLER WIRE

|   | As Welded |           |           | Machined Flush |           |           |
|---|-----------|-----------|-----------|----------------|-----------|-----------|
| Specimen No.                                | 92-4-B-1  | 92-4-B-2  | 92-4-B-3  | 92-4-F-1       | 92-4-F-2  | 92-4-F-3  |
| Test Section                                | .499x.132 | .491x.131 | .500x.131 | .500x.131      | .497x.123 | .495x.125 |
| Initial Gage Length, in.                    | 2.00      | 2.00      | 2.00      | 2.00           | 2.00      | 2.00      |
| Strain Rate to Yield in./in./min.           | .005      | .005      | .005      | .005           | .005      | .005      |
| Ultimate Load, Lb.                          | 2730      | 2710      | 2660      | 2500           | 2470      | 2420      |
| Yield Load, lb. (0.2% offset)               | 1840      | 1830      | 1930      | 1720           | 1800      | 1780      |
| Gage Length After Failure, in.              | 2.05      | 2.07      | 2.04      | 2.06           | 2.06      | 2.06      |
| Initial Specimen Area, in. <sup>2</sup>     | .0659     | .0643     | .0655     | .0655          | .0611     | .0619     |
| Ultimate Stress psi                         | 41,400    | 42,100    | 42,300    | 38,200         | 40,400    | 39,100    |
| Yield Stress, psi                           | 27,900    | 28,500    | 29,500    | 26,300         | 29,400    | 28,800    |
| % Elongation                                | 2.5       | 3.5       | 2.0       | 3.0            | 3.0       | 3.0       |
| Modulus of Elasticity psi x 10 <sup>6</sup> | 11.2      | 11.1      | 11.9      | 10.5           | 9.6       | 11.7      |
|   |           |           |           |                |           |           |

TABLE 4-19 TENSILE TEST RESULTS, BUTT WELD IN .008  
LAMINATED 2219-T87 PLATE, 2319 FILLER WIRE

|  | AS WELDED    |             |             | MACHINED FLUSH |             |             |
|--|--------------|-------------|-------------|----------------|-------------|-------------|
| Specimen Number                          | B-1          | B-2         | B-3         | F-1            | F-2         | F-3         |
| Test Section                             | .1285 x .503 | .128 x .498 | .128 x .481 | .121 x .489    | .121 x .490 | .120 x .494 |
| Strain Rate to Yield in/in/min           | .005         | .005        | .005        | .005           | .005        | .005        |
| Ultimate Load, lb.                       | 2580         | 2585        | 2525        | 2300           | 2320        | 2290        |
| Yield Load, lb. (0.2% Offset)            | 1790         | 1800        | 1810        | 1560           | 1450        | 1400        |
| Gage Length After Failure                | 2.05         | 2.06        | 2.06        | 2.08           | 2.09        | 2.07        |
| Initial Specimen Area                    | .0646        | .0637       | .0616       | .0591          | .0593       | .0593       |
| Ultimate Stress, psi                     | 39,900       | 40,600      | 41,000      | 38,900         | 39,100      | 38,600      |
| Yield Stress psi                         | 27,700       | 28,200      | 29,400      | 26,400         | 24,500      | 23,600      |
| % Elongation                             | 2.5          | 3.0         | 3.0         | 4.0            | 4.5         | 3.5         |
| Mod. of Elasticity psi x 10 <sup>6</sup> | 10.9         | 11.1        | 9.9         | 11.5           | 10.8        | 10.9        |

TABLE 4-20 TENSILE TEST RESULTS, BUTT WELD IN .012  
INTERLAYER LAMINATED 2219-T87 ALUMINUM PLATE,  
2319 FILLER WIRE

|                                    | As Welded |           |           | Machined Flush |           |           |
|------------------------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|----------------|-----------|-----------|
| Specimen No.                       | 94-4-B-1  | 94-4-B-2  | 94-4-B-3  | 94-4-F-1       | 94-4-F-2  | 94-4-F-3  |
| Test Section                       | .507x.130 | .487x.130 | .504x.131 | .505x.129      | .504x.129 | .488x.127 |
| Initial Gage Length, in.           | 2.00      | 2.00      | 2.00      | 2.00           | 2.00      | 2.00      |
| Strain Rate to Yield, in./in./min. | .005      | .005      | .005      | .005           | .005      | .005      |
| Ultimate Load, lb.                 | 2720      | 2610      | 2670      | 2360           | 2360      | 2370      |
| Yield Load, lb. (0.2% offset)      | 1675      | 1640      | 1650      | 1560           | 1540      | 1650      |
| Gage Length After Failure, in.     | 2.06      | 2.07      | 2.07      | 2.07           | 2.07      | 2.07      |
| Initial Specimen Area, Sq. In.     | .0659     | .0633     | .0660     | .0651          | .0650     | .0620     |
| Ultimate Stress psi                | 41,300    | 41,200    | 40,400    | 36,200         | 36,300    | 38,200    |
| Yield Stress, psi                  | 25,400    | 25,900    | 25,000    | 23,900         | 23,700    | 26,600    |
| % Elongation                       | 3.0       | 3.5       | 3.5       | 3.5            | 3.5       | 3.5       |
| Modulus of Elasticity              | 11.3      | ---       | 10.6      | 9.5            | 9.8       | 10.7      |

TABLE 4-21 TENSILE TEST  
RESULTS, DIFFUSION  
BONDED LAMINATED  
2219-T87 ALUMINUM  
PLATE

|  | .004 Interlayer |             |             | .008 Interlayer |             |             | .012 Interlayer |             |             |
|--|-----------------|-------------|-------------|-----------------|-------------|-------------|-----------------|-------------|-------------|
| Specimen Number                                | 92-4-AR-1       | 92-4-AR-2   | 92-4-AR-3   | 93-4-AR-1       | 93-4-AR-2   | 93-4-AR-3   | 94-4-AR-1       | 94-4-AR-2   | 94-4-AR-3   |
| Test Section                                   | .131 x .499     | .132 x .496 | .132 x .499 | .128 x .493     | .128 x .496 | .129 x .491 | .129 x .501     | .130 x .509 | .130 x .503 |
| Initial Gage Length, In.                       | 2.00            | 2.00        | 2.00        | 2.00            | 2.00        | 2.00        | 2.00            | 2.00        | 2.00        |
| Strain Rate To Yield<br>In./In./Min.           | .005            | .005        | .005        | .005            | .005        | .005        | .005            | .005        | .005        |
| Ultimate Load, lb.                             | 4350            | 4230        | 4250        | 3890            | 3890        | 3880        | 3830            | 3900        | 3880        |
| Yield Load, lb.<br>(0.2% offset)               | 3520            | 3510        | 3550        | 3250            | 3250        | 3230        | 3200            | 3260        | 3230        |
| Gage Length After<br>Failure, In..             | 2.23            | 2.23        | 2.23        | 2.24            | 2.20        | 2.24        | 2.21            | 2.20        | 2.21        |
| Initial Specimen Area<br>Sq. In.               | .0654           | .0655       | .0659       | .0631           | .0635       | .0633       | .0646           | .0662       | .0654       |
| Ultimate Stress, psi                           | 66,500          | 64,600      | 64,500      | 61,600          | 61,300      | 61,300      | 59,300          | 58,900      | 59,300      |
| Yield Stress, psi                              | 53,800          | 53,600      | 53,900      | 51,500          | 51,200      | 51,000      | 49,500          | 49,300      | 49,400      |
| % Elongation                                   | 11.5            | 11.5        | 11.5        | 12.0            | 10.0        | 12.0        | 10.5            | 10.0        | 10.5        |
| Modulus of Elasticity<br>psi x 10 <sup>6</sup> | 9.98            | 10.13       | 9.69        | 9.51            | 9.45        | 10.08       | 8.76            | 8.80        | 9.44        |

FOLDOUT FRAME 1

FOLDOUT FRAME 2

TABLE 4-22 TENSILE TEST DATA SUMMARY, WELDED AND UNWELDED  
2219-T87 DIFFUSION BONDED LAMINATED PLATE, BUTT  
WELDED, 2319 FILLER WIRE

| Laminate<br>Description  | As-Received Plate<br>(Not Welded) |               | As Welded<br>(Bead On) |               | Welded and<br>Machined Flush |               |
|--|-----------------------------------|---------------|------------------------|---------------|------------------------------|---------------|
|  | Yield, KSI                        | Ultimate, KSI | Yield, KSI             | Ultimate, KSI | Yield, KSI                   | Ultimate, KSI |
| .004 Interlayer  | 53.8                              | 65.2          | 28.6                   | 41.9          | 28.2                         | 39.2          |
| .008 Interlayer  | 51.2                              | 61.4          | 28.4                   | 40.5          | 24.8                         | 38.9          |
| .012 Interlayer  | 49.4                              | 59.3          | 25.4                   | 41.0          | 24.7                         | 36.9          |
| Typical, as welded, 2219-T87 <sup>(1)</sup><br>Butt Welds (2319 Filler Wire)<br><br>Suggested Minimums <sup>(1)</sup><br><br>(1) Alcoa Green Letter, Aluminum<br>Alloy 2219, June 1967 |                                   |               | 30                     | 41<br><br>35  |                              |               |

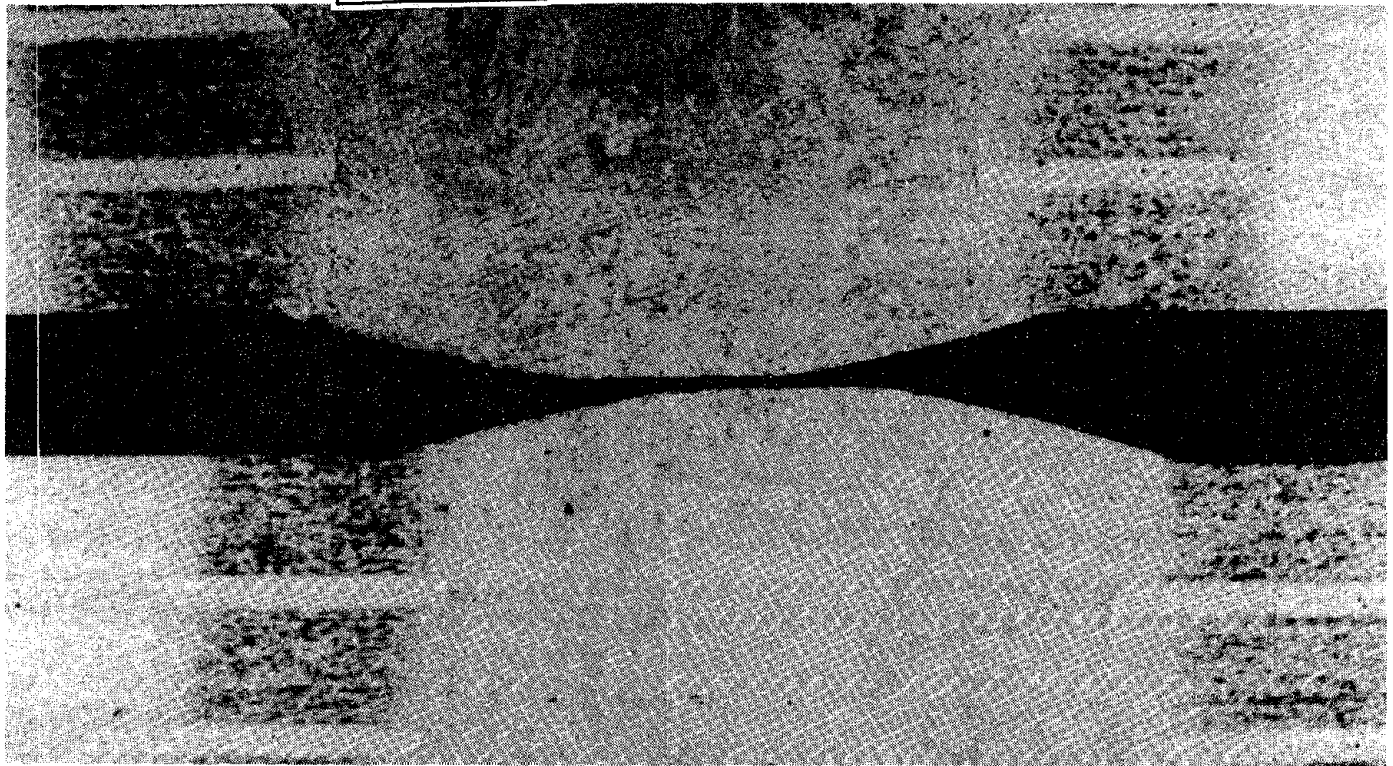


Figure 4-40 Weld in 0.008 In. Interlayer Laminate Aluminum Plate (20X Magnification)

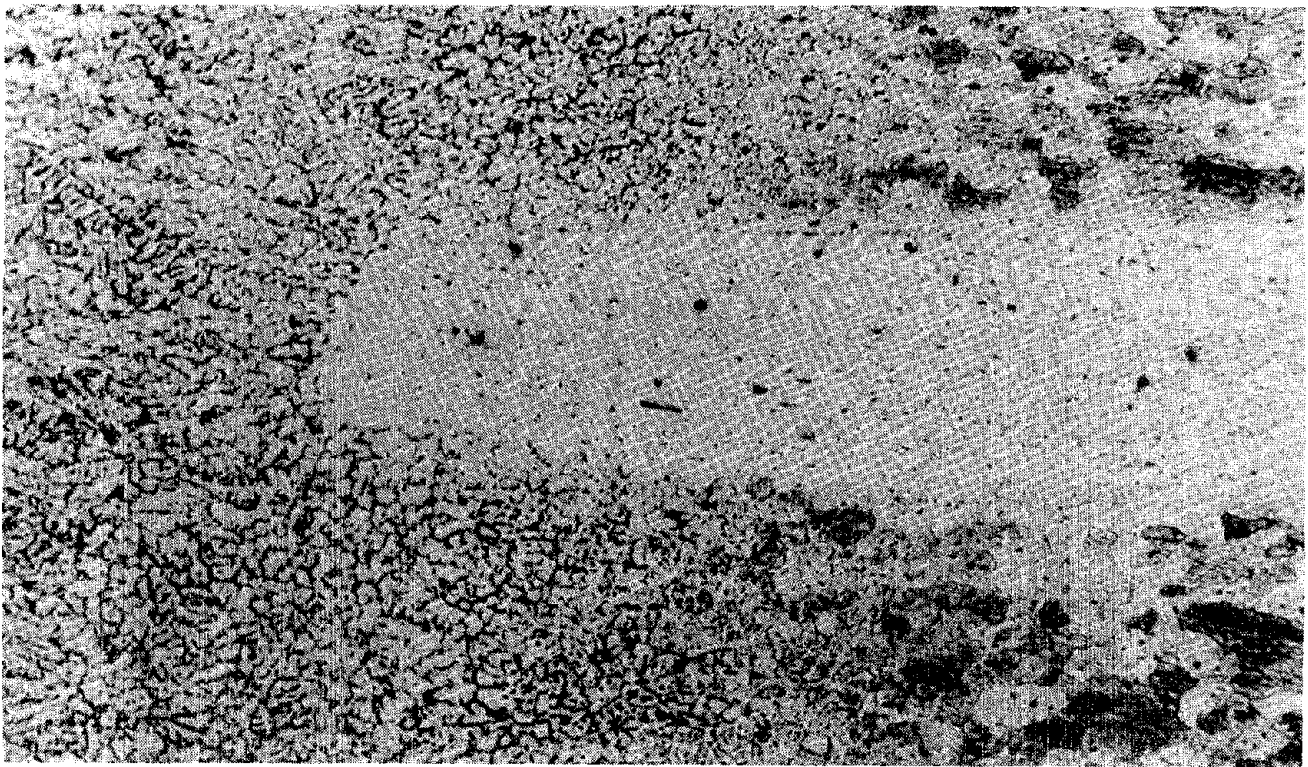


Figure 4-41 Photomicrograph (200X Magnification) Showing Fusion Line of  
Weld in 0.008 In. Interlayer Laminated Aluminum Plate

ing range of 2219 alloy is 1010 to 1090°F, which offers an explanation for the interlayer maintaining its identity while the surrounding alloy has melted. Figure 4-41 shows the end of the interlayer in the fusion zone at higher magnification. The interface between the fusion zone and the heat affected zone is called the fusion line. It can be identified in Figure 4-41 as the line of demarcation between the large grain structure in the heat affected zone, to the right, and the small grain structure in the fusion zone, to the left.

#### Forming of Laminated Plate

The 2024-T3 panel, described in Section 3, which was produced to verify bonding procedure, was used to demonstrate the formability of an adhesive panel. Inspection of this panel after bonding and curing showed no defects. A three ft by three ft section of the panel was formed to a 50 in. radius (Figure 4-42) by rolling at room temperature. After the rolling operation the panel was reinspected to see if any separation had occurred at the bond lines. No defects were found in this inspection either. A one-inch wide strip from the original panel was successfully formed to an 8 in. radius (Figure 4-43). NDT inspection and visual checks of the exposed bond lines gave no indication of defects in the bond.

Similarly, one-inch wide strips were taken from the longitudinal and transverse directions of each thickness interlayer roll diffusion bonded plate and rolled to a 50 in. radius. No cracks were detected on any specimen on examination in the 20-40x range. Photomicrographs of the longitudinal and transverse specimens from the .008 laminate are shown in Figure 4-44.



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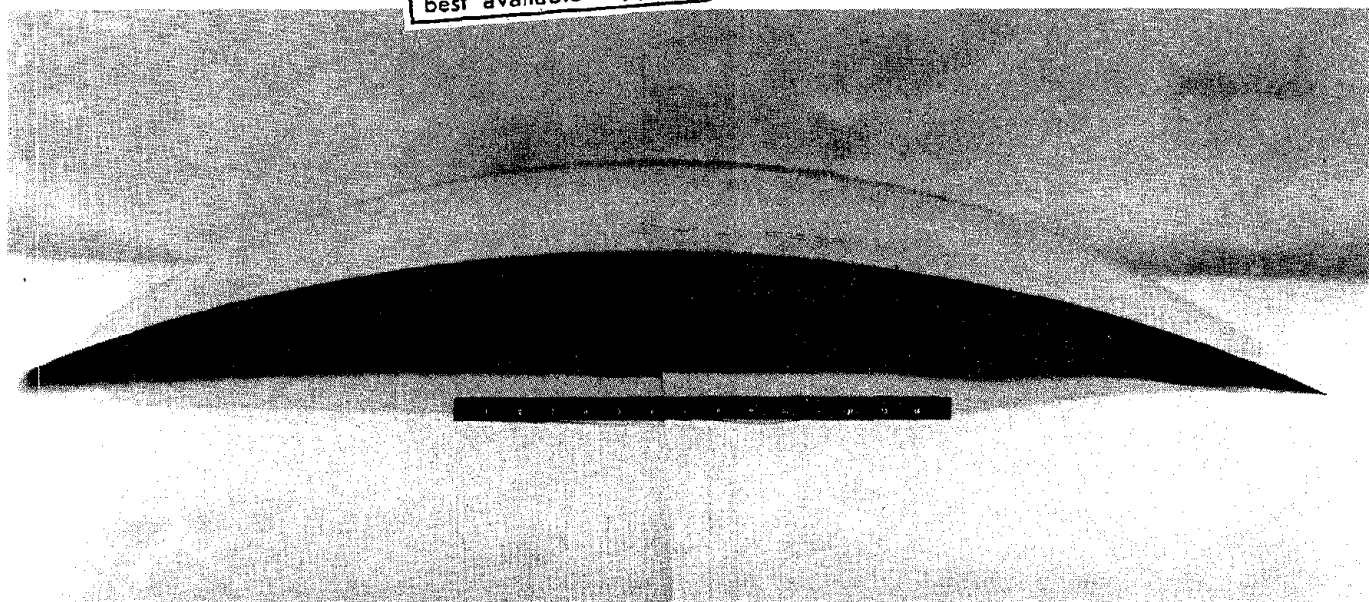


Figure 4-42 Three by Three Foot Adhesive Bonded  
Panel Formed to 50 In. Radius

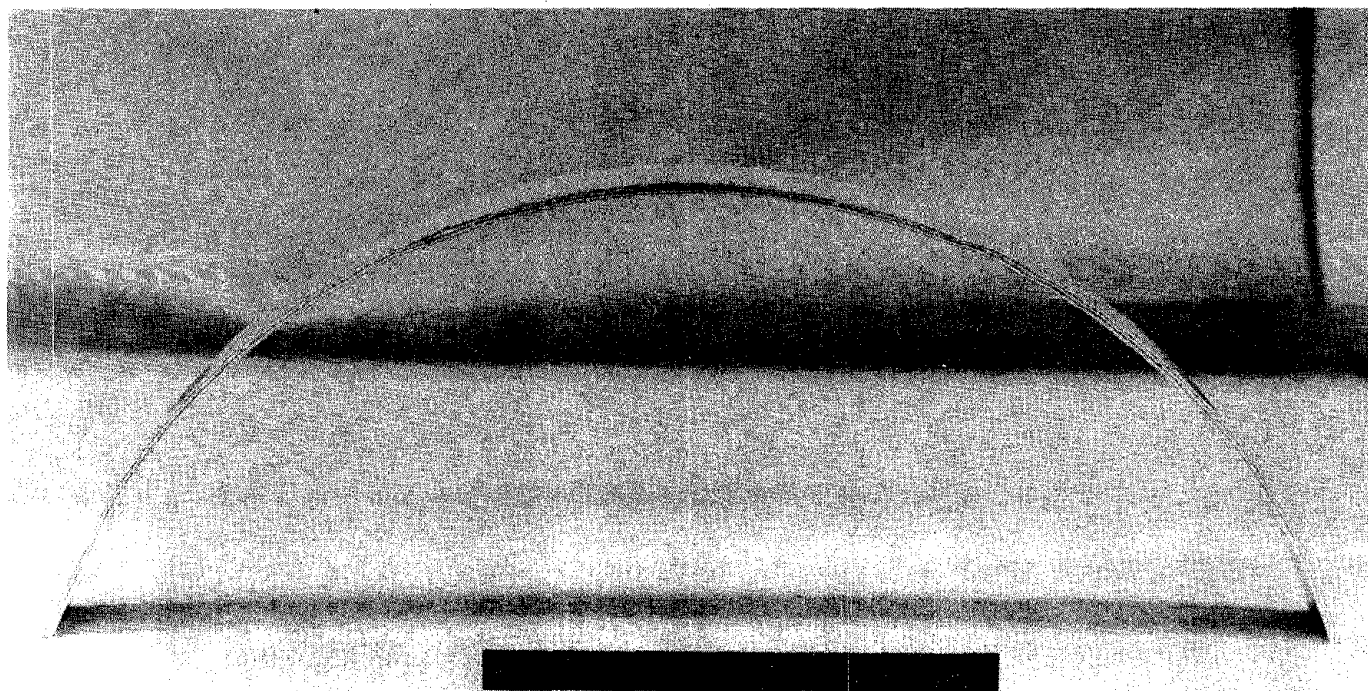
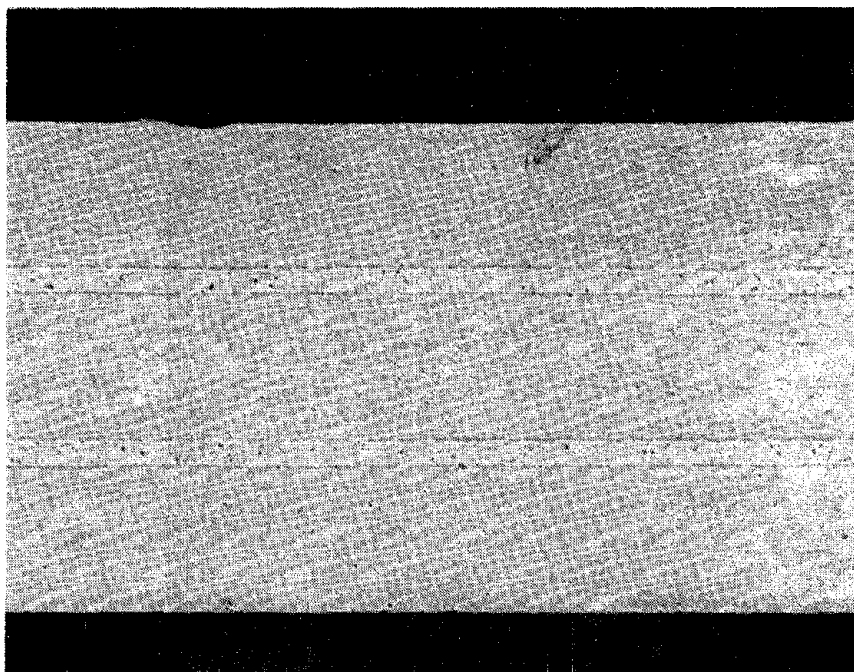
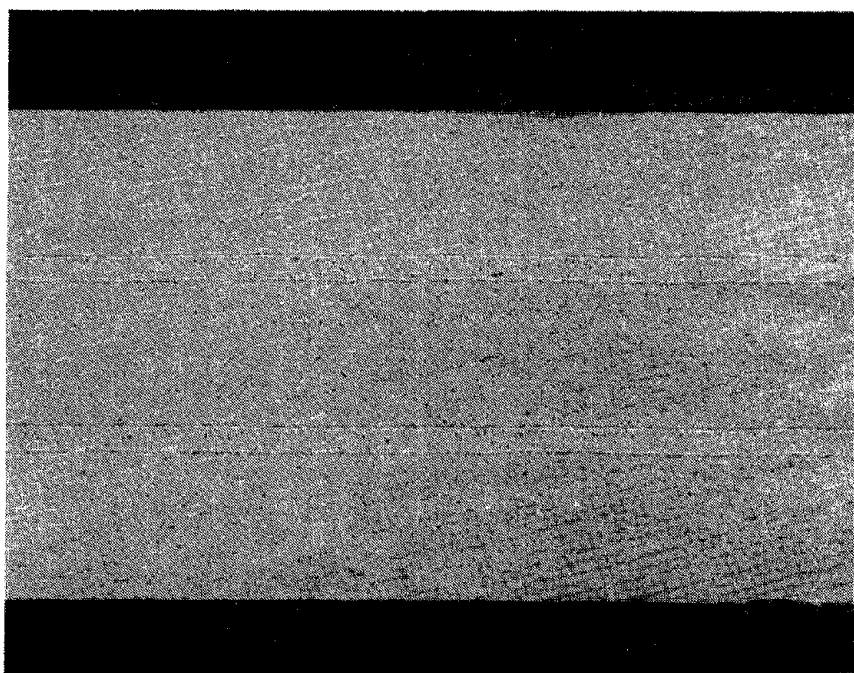


Figure 4-43 One-Inch Wide Adhesive Bonded Strip  
Formed to Eight-Inch Radius

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A. Longitudinal



B. Transverse

Figure 4-44 Photomicrographs of Longitudinal and Transverse Specimens

## WEIGHT/RELIABILITY ANALYSIS

### Reliability Comparison

In the design of the monolithic tanks, whose weight is reported on in the paragraph entitled "Weight Comparison of Shuttle Orbiter Tanks" on page 4-32, the ratio of the final flaw depth,  $a_f$ , to wall thickness,  $t$ , varies from 0.5 to 0.77. These tanks are designed for flaws whose width is five times their depth ( $a/2c = 0.2$ ). If semicircular flaws are considered in the analysis, the ratio  $a_f/t$  may approach 0.9. For monolithic tanks the ratio of flaw width to depth, starting with a semicircular flaw, is reasonably well known. However, for laminated plate no such relationship has been determined. It is not possible, therefore, to provide a direct comparison of flaw depth vs cycles between monolithic and laminated material. Measurements of surface flaw width vs cycles were obtained for each specimen tested in this program, and a comparison on the basis of surface flaw widths may be made.

The range of  $a_f/t$  from 0.5 to 0.9 was examined. It was assumed that a semicircular flaw remained semicircular through this range, and surface flaw widths were calculated for each 0.1 interval. The monolithic specimens of Phase I were examined to determine their flaw growth behavior. The Phase I specimens were chosen because the stress level was similar to that which resulted from the tank analysis and to give the greatest range of data. Cycles-to-breakthrough were tabulated for each of the Phase I monolithic specimens. The surface flaw widths for  $a_f/t$  from 0.5 to 0.9 are .125 in., .150 in., .175 in., .200 in. and .225 in. The number of cycles required for the flaw to grow to a through-the-thickness-flaw starting from each surface flaw width was determined for each monolithic specimen. Average and maximum number of cycles to leak from each flaw width are shown in Table 4-23.

Using the cyclic lives determined for each flaw size from the monolithic data, a flaw size for an equivalent number of cycles before leak in the .004 interlayer laminated specimens were determined. Flaw sizes were determined for the average and maximum number of cycles found for the monolithic specimens. These flaw sizes are also shown in Table 4-23.

A comparison of the average flaw size in a laminated specimen for equivalent life in a monolithic specimen with a specified surface flaw width is shown in Table 4-24. It can be seen that the ratio of surface flaw widths for equivalent cyclic lives ranges from 2.3 to 2.6 times larger flaws in the laminated specimens. If the maximum number of cycles to breakthrough in the monolithic is compared to the average laminate value, the ratio varies from 2.2 to 2.5 times larger flaws in the laminate.

It seems safe to assume an approximate 2:1 surface flaw width relation. That is, for the same number of cycles to leak, the starting surface flaw width in the laminated specimen is twice as long as the starting flaw in the monolithic specimen at typical design stress.

### Weight Comparison

Since the laminated material displays greater cyclic life in the presence of a specified flaw, for equivalent cyclic life to a monolithic structure, the laminated structure should be able to operate at a higher cyclic stress. Having been unable to determine the flaw depth vs cycle relation for the laminated material it was not possible to calculate the increased stress level in the laminate directly. Instead, the average cyclic life of the laminated specimen was tabulated and a reduced stress level sought in the monolithic specimen to provide an equivalent cyclic life.

TABLE 4-23 FLAW SIZE CALCULATIONS FOR EQUIVALENT LIFE TO BREAK-THROUGH

AVERAGE AND MAXIMUM NUMBER OF CYCLES TO BREAK-THROUGH FROM SPECIFIED SURFACE FLAW WIDTHS  
PHASE I MONOLITHIC SPECIMENS

| Specimen No. | CYC To<br>Brkthru | CYC To<br>.125 in | $\Delta$ CYC | CYC To<br>.150 in | $\Delta$ c | CYC To<br>.175 in | $\Delta$ c | CYC To<br>.200 in | $\Delta$ c | CYC To<br>.225 in | $\Delta$ c |
|--------------|-------------------|-------------------|--------------|-------------------|------------|-------------------|------------|-------------------|------------|-------------------|------------|
| 1            | 5670              | 2250              | 3420         | 3270              | 2400       | 4125              | 1545       | 4612              | 1058       | 4895              | 775        |
| 3            | 5500              | 2167              | 3333         | 3000              | 2500       | 3750              | 1750       | 4333              | 1167       | 4687              | 813        |
| 5            | 5720              | 2250              | 3470         | 3250              | 2470       | 4000              | 1720       | 4358              | 1362       | 4750              | 970        |
| 7            | 4900              | 2167              | 2733         | 3000              | 1900       | 3555              | 1345       | 4071              | 829        | 4430              | 470        |
| 9            | 7660              | 4250              | 3410         | 5333              | 2327       | 6083              | 1577       | 6500              | 1160       | 6916              | 744        |
| 11           | 6830              | 3875              | 2955         | 4500              | 2330       | 5333              | 1497       | 5750              | 1080       | 6071              | 759        |
| Avg          |                   |                   | 3220         |                   | 2321       |                   | 1572       |                   | 1109       |                   | 755        |
| Max          |                   |                   | 3470         |                   | 2500       |                   | 1750       |                   | 1362       |                   | 970        |

FLAW SIZE IN LAMINATED SPECIMENS

FLAW WIDTH BASED ON AVERAGE NO. OF CYCLES FROM MONOLITHIC TEST DATA

| Specimen No. | CYC To<br>Brkthru | -3220<br>CYC | Flaw<br>Size | -2321<br>CYC | Flaw<br>Size | -1572<br>CYC | Flaw<br>Size | -1109<br>CYC | Flaw<br>Size | -755<br>CYC | Flaw<br>Size |
|--------------|-------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|-------------|--------------|
| 353492-1     | 12,100            | 8880         | .333         | 9779         | .388         | 10,528       | .442         | 10,991       | .479         | 11,345      | .521         |
| " -2         | 12,000            | 8780         | .286         | 9679         | .334         | 10,428       | .393         | 10,891       | .422         | 11,245      | .463         |
| " -3         | 13,550            | 10,330       | .393         | 11,229       | .429         | 11,978       | .497         | 12,441       | .544         | 12,795      | .580         |
| " -4         | 10,085            | 6865         | .289         | 7764         | .345         | 8513         | .391         | 8976         | .428         | 9330        | .463         |
| " -5         | 10,800            | 7580         | .283         | 8479         | .338         | 9228         | .403         | 9691         | .453         | 10,045      | .497         |
| " -6         | 12,200            | 8980         | .389         | 9879         | .455         | 10,628       | .509         | 11,091       | .549         | 11,445      | .602         |
| Avg          |                   |              | .329         |              | .382         |              | .439         |              | .479         |             | .521         |

FLAW SIZE IN LAMINATED SPECIMENS

FLAW WIDTH BASED ON MAXIMUM NO. OF CYCLES FROM MONOLITHIC TEST DATA

| Specimen No. | CYC To<br>Brkthru | -3470<br>CYC | Flaw<br>Size | -2500<br>CYC | Flaw<br>Size | -1750<br>CYC | Flaw<br>Size | -1362<br>CYC | Flaw<br>Size | -970<br>CYC | Flaw<br>Size |
|--------------|-------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|-------------|--------------|
| 353492-1     | 12,100            | 8630         | .318         | 9600         | .368         | 10,350       | .428         | 10,738       | .459         | 11,130      | .496         |
| " -2         | 12,000            | 8530         | .280         | 9500         | .320         | 10,250       | .377         | 10,638       | .407         | 11,030      | .434         |
| " -3         | 13,550            | 10,080       | .383         | 11,050       | .422         | 11,800       | .476         | 12,188       | .519         | 12,580      | .558         |
| " -4         | 10,085            | 6615         | .269         | 7585         | .335         | 8335         | .380         | 8723         | .408         | 9915        | .441         |
| " -5         | 10,800            | 7330         | .273         | 8300         | .324         | 9050         | .385         | 9438         | .424         | 9830        | .470         |
| " -6         | 12,200            | 8730         | .374         | 9700         | .448         | 10,450       | .496         | 10,838       | .524         | 11,230      | .567         |
| Avg          |                   |              | .316         |              | .370         |              | .424         |              | .457         |             | .494         |

TABLE 4-24 FLAW WIDTH RATIOS  
A. AVERAGE DATA FOR MONOLITHIC AND LAMINATED SPECIMENS

| $A_f/t$ | Flaw Width, in |           | Fl. Wd. Lam./<br>Flaw Wd. Mono. |
|---------|----------------|-----------|---------------------------------|
|         | Mono.          | .004 Lam. |                                 |
| .5      | .125           | .329      | 2.63                            |
| .6      | .150           | .382      | 2.54                            |
| .7      | .175           | .439      | 2.50                            |
| .8      | .200           | .479      | 2.39                            |
| .9      | .225           | .521      | 2.32                            |

B. MAXIMUM NO. OF CYCLES FOR MONOLITHIC SPECIMEN,  
AVERAGE DATA FOR LAMINATED SPECIMENS

| $A_f/t$ | Flaw Width, in |           | Fl. Wd. Lam./<br>Flaw Wd. Mono. |
|---------|----------------|-----------|---------------------------------|
|         | Mono.          | .004 Lam. |                                 |
| .5      | .125           | .316      | 2.52                            |
| .6      | .150           | .370      | 2.46                            |
| .7      | .175           | .424      | 2.42                            |
| .8      | .200           | .457      | 2.28                            |
| .9      | .225           | .494      | 2.19                            |

Two comparisons were made. First, the Phase I .004 laminated specimens were examined. These specimens were tested with a cyclic stress range of 38,000 psi. Starting with an 0.070 in. surface flaw, an average cyclic life of 11,844 cycles-to-leak was measured. Assuming a semicircular flaw, a stress level for equivalent life in the monolithic material was determined as follows:

$$N = \frac{13.3254 \times 10^8}{(\Delta\sigma)^{4.27}} \left[ 44.9245 - \left( \frac{\Delta\sigma}{4.94} \right)^{1.135} \right]$$

N = cycles

$\Delta\sigma$  = cyclic stress, KSI

Q is assumed to be 2.46

This expression is reached by assuming that the product of stress and thickness must remain constant to support the applied load. By iteration an approximate stress level of 35,200 psi is determined for the monolithic material, so that a 8% weight decrease might be assumed for the laminated material.

A comparison was also made based on the Phase III laminated specimens with one-third thickness flaws. These specimens were tested with a cyclic stress increment of 45,600 psi and recorded an average cyclic-life-to-leak of 8052 cycles. In this comparison, a cyclic stress of 38,700 psi was determined for equivalent life in the monolithic specimen, or a weight advantage of 18% for the laminated material.

The results of the iteration procedure are shown in Table 4-25.

The tank weights previously discussed in Section 4 are based on stress levels of approximately 40,000 psi, so that a 8% weight saving for using laminated material will be used to arrive at a weight comparison. If we assume that the weld allowable strength is equal to that used in the monolithic material, 35 KSI, then the weight saving in the LO<sub>2</sub> tank is 141 lb and in the LH<sub>2</sub> tank, 323 lb. (Refer to Table 4-26).

It is possible that some deleterious effects may be experienced in the weld due to the presence of the interlayer material. In an effort to account for this possibility, weight calculations were repeated using a weld allowable strength of 28 KSI. The weight of weld lands in the tanks was estimated at 8% of the total tank weight. In this case net savings of 106 lb for the LO<sub>2</sub> tank and 242 lb for the LH<sub>2</sub> tank were computed. This means that a reduction in weld allowable from 35 KSI to 28 KSI decreases the tank weight saving from 8% to 6%.

TABLE 4-25 SPECIMEN COMPARISON, PHASES I AND III

● PHASE I

$$Q = 2.46$$

$$\Delta N = \frac{13.3254 \times 10^8}{(\Delta \sigma)^{4.27}} \left[ 44.9245 - \left( \frac{\Delta \sigma}{4.94} \right)^{1.135} \right]$$

| $\Delta \sigma$ , KSI | $\Delta N$ , Cycles |
|-----------------------|---------------------|
| 38                    | 8,323               |
| 36                    | 10,667              |
| 35                    | 12,132              |
| 35.5                  | 11,371              |
| 35.4                  | 11,512              |
| 35.3                  | 11,675              |
| 35.2                  | 11,827              |

● PHASE III

$$Q = 2.46$$

$$\Delta N = \frac{13.3254 \times 10^8}{(\Delta \sigma)^{4.27}} \left[ 44.9245 - \left( \frac{\Delta \sigma}{5.928} \right)^{1.135} \right]$$

| $\Delta \sigma$ , KSI | $\Delta N$ , Cycles |
|-----------------------|---------------------|
| 42                    | 5573                |
| 39                    | 7806                |
| 38                    | 8782                |
| 38.6                  | 8179                |
| 38.8                  | 7990                |
| 38.7                  | 8084                |

TABLE 4-26 WEIGHT COMPARISON,  
MONOLITHIC AND ROLL DIFFUSION BONDED LAMINATE

A. LAMINATE WELD ALLOWABLE 35 KSI

| Tank            | Weight<br>lb | % Saving | Wt. Saving,<br>lb |
|-----------------|--------------|----------|-------------------|
| LO <sub>2</sub> | 1760         | 8        | 141               |
| LH <sub>2</sub> | 4040.3       | 8        | 323               |

B. LAMINATE WELD ALLOWABLE 28 KSI

| Tank            | Weight,<br>lb | Weld Wt,<br>lb | Increased<br>Weld Wt,<br>lb | % Wt.<br>Saving | Weight<br>Saving,<br>lb | Net Weight<br>Saving,<br>lb |
|-----------------|---------------|----------------|-----------------------------|-----------------|-------------------------|-----------------------------|
| LO <sub>2</sub> | 1760          | 141            | 176                         | 8               | 141                     | 106                         |
| LH <sub>2</sub> | 4040.3        | 323            | 404                         | 8               | 323                     | 242                         |



## Section 5

### CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

#### CONCLUSIONS

**Material Properties:** Roll diffusion bonded and adhesive bonded laminated material showed much greater cyclic life, in the presence of a flaw, than monolithic material. Best results for the roll diffusion bonded laminate were indicated for material with arc .004 in. inter-layer thickness. Flaws in the roll diffusion bonded material grew to become through-the-thickness flaws while in the adhesive bonded specimens, a flaw initiated in a surface ply grew to the edges of the specimen in that ply but did not affect the adjacent ply. No relation between flaw depth in the roll diffusion bonded material and number of test cycles was determined.

**Nondestructive Test:** Shear wave ultrasonics and deep penetration eddy current methods detected flaws on the order of one-third the specimen thickness. Shear wave signal strength was found to vary linearly with surface flaw width in both monolithic and diffusion bonded specimens. Surface wave ultrasonics was able to predict the appearance of a back face dimple some 500 to 1000 cycles in advance in monolithic material. Less reliable results were obtained on diffusion bonded specimens. A vacuum leak detector unit, constructed to aid in determining the number of cycles to breakthrough, gave almost immediate response.

**Fabricability:** Tank designs and fabrication methods for large adhesive bonded laminated tanks showed the feasibility of this concept. LO<sub>2</sub> and LH<sub>2</sub> tank designs for a particular Orbiter configuration and loading showed a weight penalty of 10 to 14% for adhesive bonding compared to monolithic construction. Construction and inspection are considered more complex for adhesive bonded tanks than for monolithic tanks. Fabrication with roll diffusion bonded material seems similar to monolithic procedures. Ultimate weld strength of the .004 laminate was higher than the typical weld strength of monolithic material. Forming of diffusion bonded and adhesive bonded material to a 50 in. radius caused no defects. A pre-treatment investigation for bonding with METLBOND 329 adhesive showed that properly cleaned specimens, primed and unprimed, can demonstrate acceptable strength after over-aging, 30 day exposure at high humidity and 30 day salt spray tests.

**Weight:** Based on the program test results, a weight saving of 8% is projected for diffusion bonded tanks over monolithic tanks assuming a similar initial flaw and equivalent cyclic lives to leakage at a 40 KSI operating stress. Since flaws in adhesive bonded specimens did not grow through the thickness, a direct comparison on the basis of leakage was not possible for the adhesive bonded tank. The adhesive bonded specimens tested at 40 KSI gave greater life than the best diffusion bonded specimen, so that despite the 10 to 14% weight penalty mentioned earlier, the advantages of longer life and resistance to leakage make adhesive bonded construction a very effective concept.

**Reliability:** At operating stresses of 40 KSI, for the same number of cycles to leak, the starting flaw in laminated material is more than twice as wide as the starting flaw in monolithic material.

## RECOMMENDATIONS FOR FUTURE WORK

In this program the thinnest interlayer laminate provided the best results. Reducing the interlayer still further may provide even better results.

Only semicircular flaws were tested in this program. The effect of flaw shape on the behavior of roll diffusion bonded laminates should be investigated.

If resources permit, specimens should be cycled, saw-cut and failed in tension to help with the determination of flaw shape at various stages of flaw growth in the laminated specimens.

All specimens in this program were machined from the "L" direction of the material. Verification of the properties in the "W" direction should be demonstrated.

Standard fatigue testing of the optimum laminate should be undertaken. Cyclic load programs for many type missions are available.

In sections through the weld in laminated plate, it was noted that the soft interlayer projects into the heat-affected zone. Since most weld failures occur in the HAZ, the presence of the interlayer may prove beneficial in halting flaw growth in this area. If testing can show that a delay does occur, this would be a most interesting result.

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## Appendix A

### FLAW GROWTH RATE TABLES

Tabular flaw growth records for each program test specimen are presented in this Appendix. Specimen records are ordered to coincide with the Program Test Plan, Table A-1. The specimen numbers which correspond to a particular test condition as called out in Table A-1, are listed in Table A-2.

TABLE A-1 TEST MATRIX FOR LAMINATED ALUMINUM COMPOSITES

| Test Phase              | Interlayer Thickness, In. | Number of Spec. | Precrack Flaw Depth          | Cyclic Stress | Data Required                       |
|-------------------------|---------------------------|-----------------|------------------------------|---------------|-------------------------------------|
| <u>Diffusion Bonded</u> |                           |                 |                              |               |                                     |
| I                       | 0.004                     | 6               | 1/3 thickness <sup>(1)</sup> | 0-40 ksi      | Flaw growth rate and cycles-to-leak |
|                         | 0.008                     | 6               | 1/3 thickness                | 0-40 ksi      |                                     |
|                         | 0.012                     | 6               | 1/3 thickness                | 0-40 ksi      |                                     |
|                         | None                      | 6               | 1/3 thickness                | 0-40 ksi      |                                     |
| II                      | To be determined from I   | 6               | 1/2 thickness                | 0-40 ksi      | Same                                |
|                         | None                      | 6               | 1/2 thickness                | 0-40 ksi      |                                     |
| III                     | Same as II                | 3               | 1/3 thickness                | 0-48          | Same                                |
|                         | Same as II                | 3               | 1/2 thickness                | 0-48          |                                     |
|                         | None                      | 3               | 1/3 thickness                | 0-48          |                                     |
|                         | None                      | 3               | 1/2 thickness                | 0-48          |                                     |
| <u>Adhesive Bond</u>    |                           |                 |                              |               |                                     |
|                         | 3 plys                    |                 |                              |               |                                     |
|                         | .040" thick               | 3               | 1/3 thickness <sup>(2)</sup> | 0-40 ksi      | Same                                |
|                         | each                      | 3               | 1/3 thickness                | 0-48 ksi      |                                     |

TABLE A-2 SPECIMEN IDENTIFICATION NUMBER

| Phase | Fabrication     | Interlayer t | Flaw Depth | Cyclic Stress | Specimen No. |            |            |           |           |           |
|-------|-----------------|--------------|------------|---------------|--------------|------------|------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
|       |                 |              |            |               | 1            | 2          | 3          | 4         | 5         | 6         |
| I     | Monolithic      | -            | 1/3        | 40,000        | 1            | 3          | 5          | 7         | 9         | 11        |
| I     | Diffusion Bond. | .004         | 1/3        | 40,000        | 353492-1     | 353492-2   | 353492-3   | 353492-4  | 353492-5  | 353492-6  |
| I     | Diffusion Bond. | .008         | 1/3        | 40,000        | 353493-1     | 353493-2   | 353493-3   | 353493-4  | 353493-5  | 353493-6  |
| I     | Diffusion Bond. | .012         | 1/3        | 40,000        | 353494-1     | 353494-2   | 353494-3   | 353494-4  | 353494-5  | 353494-6  |
| II    | Monolithic      | -            | 1/2        | 40,000        | 2            | 4          | 6          | 8         | 10        | 12        |
| II    | Diff. Bonded    | .004         | 1/2        | 40,000        | 353492-1A    | 353492-2A  | 353492-3A  | 353492-4A | 353492-5A | 353492-6A |
| III   | Monolithic      | -            | 1/3        | 48,000        | 13           | 15         | 17         |           |           |           |
| III   | Monolithic      | -            | 1/2        | 48,000        | 14           | 16         | 18         |           |           |           |
| III   | Diff'n Bond.    | .004         | 1/3        | 48,000        | 353492-7A    | 353492-8A  | 353492-9A  |           |           |           |
| III   | Diff'n. Bond.   | .004         | 1/2        | 48,000        | 353492-10A   | 353492-11A | 353492-12A |           |           |           |
|       | Adhesive Bonded | -            | 1/3        | 40,000        | 1            | 2          | 3          |           |           |           |
|       | Adhesive Bonded | -            | 1/3        | 48,000        | 4            | 5          | 6          |           |           |           |

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TABLE A-3 FLAW GROWTH RECORD

| SPECIMEN #1                         |                  | TYPE: MONOLITHIC                |            | ELOX: .020 x .040 |                               |
|-------------------------------------|------------------|---------------------------------|------------|-------------------|-------------------------------|
| SHARPENING STRESS 20 KSI, RATE 5CPS |                  | GROWTH STRESS 40 KSI, RATE 5CPS |            |                   |                               |
| CYCLES                              | SURFACE LENGTH   | CYCLES                          | FRONT FACE | REAR FACE         | REMARKS                       |
| 0                                   | .040 (ELOX)      | 0                               | .090       |                   |                               |
| 100,000                             | .040 (NO GROWTH) | 500                             | .100       |                   |                               |
| RAISED STRESS TO 36 KSI             |                  | 1000                            | .1075      |                   |                               |
| 1000                                | .075             | 2000                            | .120       |                   |                               |
| DROPPED STRESS TO 20 KSI            |                  | 3000                            | .140       |                   |                               |
| 33,000                              | .075 (NO GROWTH) | 4000                            | .170       |                   |                               |
| RAISED STRESS TO 36 KSI             |                  | 4500                            | .190       |                   |                               |
| 1000                                | .080             | 4950                            | .230       |                   | DIMPLE ON REAR FACE           |
| 1750                                | .085             | 5000                            | .235       |                   | DIMPLE ON REAR FACE           |
| 2200                                | .090             | 5500                            | .280       |                   | "DECIDED" DIMPLE ON REAR FACE |
|                                     |                  | 5670                            | .300       | .06               | CRACK THRU                    |
|                                     |                  | 6000                            | .360       | .285              |                               |
|                                     |                  | 6250                            | .440       | .420              |                               |
|                                     |                  | 6350                            | .500       | .515              |                               |
|                                     |                  | 6400                            | .550       | .550              |                               |
|                                     |                  | 6450                            | .620       | .660              |                               |
|                                     |                  | 6497                            | .820       | .840              | FAILURE                       |



TABLE A-4 FLAW GROWTH RECORD

|  |                     |                                      |                 |                   |                       |
|--|---------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------|-------------------|-----------------------|
| Specimen No. 3 (1)                       |                     | Type: Monolithic                     |                 | ELOX: .021 x .040 |                       |
| Sharpening Stress: 36 KSI<br>Rate: 5 cps |                     | Growth Stress: 40 KSI<br>Rate: 5 cps |                 |                   |                       |
| Cycles                                   | Surface Length, in. | Cycles                               | Front Face, in. | Rear Face, in.    | Remarks               |
| 0  | .040 (ELOX)         | 0                                    | .090            |                   |                       |
| 13,000                                   | .055                | 500                                  | .100            |                   |                       |
| 13,500                                   | .060                | 1000                                 | .105            |                   |                       |
| 14,000                                   | .065                | 1500                                 | .115            |                   |                       |
| 14,500                                   | .070                | 2000                                 | .120            |                   |                       |
| 15,000                                   | .075                | 2500                                 | .135            |                   |                       |
| 15,500                                   | .080                | 3000                                 | .150            |                   |                       |
| 16,000                                   | .085                | 3500                                 | .170            |                   | Ultrasonic Indication |
| 16,250                                   | .085                |                                      |                 |                   | Dimple on             |
| 16,500                                   | .0875               | 4000                                 | .180            |                   | Rear Face             |
| 16,750                                   | .0875               |                                      |                 |                   |                       |
| 17,000                                   | .090                | 4500                                 | .210            |                   |                       |
|  |                     | 5000                                 | .250            |                   |                       |
|  |                     | 5500                                 | .340            | .080              | Crack Thru            |
|  |                     | 6000                                 | .400            | .300              |                       |
|  |                     | 6250                                 | .500            | .500              |                       |
|  |                     | 6350                                 | .600            | .600              |                       |
|  |                     | 6450                                 | .770            | .800              |                       |
|  |                     | 6460                                 | .820            | .840              | Failure               |

(1) Surface Wave Ultrasonics Used Intermittently

TABLE A-5 FLAW GROWTH RECORD

|                                      |                |                  |                                  |                   |                   |
|--------------------------------------|----------------|------------------|----------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| SPECIMEN #5                          |                | TYPE: MONOLITHIC |                                  | ELOX: .022 x .040 |                   |
| SHARPENING STRESS: 36 KSI RATE: 5CPS |                |                  | GROWTH STRESS: 40 KSI RATE: 5CPS |                   |                   |
| CYCLES                               | SURFACE LENGTH | CYCLES           | FRONT FACE                       | REAR FACE         | REMARKS           |
| 0                                    | .040 (ELOX)    | 0                | .090                             |                   |                   |
| 10,000                               | .065           | 500              | .095                             |                   |                   |
| 11,000                               | .075           | 1000             | .100                             |                   |                   |
| 12,000                               | .085           | 1500             | .110                             |                   |                   |
| 12,500                               | .0875          | 2000             | .120                             |                   |                   |
| 12,750                               | .090           | 2500             | .130                             |                   |                   |
|                                      |                | 3000             | .140                             |                   |                   |
|                                      |                | 3500             | .160                             |                   |                   |
|                                      |                | 4000             | .175                             |                   |                   |
|                                      |                | 4500             | .210                             |                   | SLIGHT<br>DIMPLE  |
|                                      |                | 5000             | .240                             |                   | DECIDED<br>DIMPLE |
|                                      |                | 5500             | .290                             |                   | DECIDED<br>DIMPLE |
|                                      |                | 5720             | .315                             | .190              | CRACK THRU        |
|                                      |                | 6000             | .380                             | .335              |                   |
|                                      |                | 6250             | .480                             | .460              |                   |
|                                      |                | 6350             | .550                             | .580              |                   |
|                                      |                | 6400             | .600                             | .625              |                   |
|                                      |                | 6450             | .760                             | .720              |                   |
|                                      |                | 6475             | .780                             | .820              | FAILURE           |

TABLE A-6 FLAW GROWTH RECORD

|  |                     |                                      |                 |                   |                     |
|--|---------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------|-------------------|---------------------|
| Specimen #7                              |                     | Type: MONOLITHIC                     |                 | ELOX: .023 x .040 |                     |
| Sharpening Stress: 36 KSI<br>Rate: 5 cps |                     | Growth Stress: 40 KSI<br>Rate: 5 cps |                 |                   |                     |
| Cycles                                   | Surface Length, in. | Cycles                               | Front Face, in. | Rear Face, in.    | Remarks             |
| 0  | .040 (ELOX)         | 0                                    | .090            |                   |                     |
| 7,500                                    | .050                | 1000                                 | .100            |                   |                     |
| 8,000                                    | .055                | 2000                                 | .120            |                   |                     |
| 9,000                                    | .060                | 3000                                 | .150            |                   |                     |
| 10,000                                   | .070                | 3700                                 | —               |                   | Dimple on Rear Face |
| 11,000                                   | .075                |                                      |                 |                   |                     |
| 11,500                                   | .080                | 4000                                 | .195            |                   |                     |
| 12,000                                   | .085                | 4500                                 | .230            |                   |                     |
| 12,500                                   | .0875               | 4900                                 | —               | .060              | Crack Thru          |
| 12,750                                   | .089                | 5500                                 | .370            | .220              |                     |
| 13,000                                   | .090                | 5915                                 | .800            | .800              | Failure             |

TABLE A-7 FLAW GROWTH RECORD

|  |                     |                                      |                 |                   |                          |
|--|---------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------|-------------------|--------------------------|
| Specimen No. 9 <sup>(1)</sup>            |                     | Type: Monolithic                     |                 | ELOX: .024 x .040 |                          |
| Sharpening Stress: 36 KSI<br>Rate: 5 cps |                     | Growth Stress: 40 KSI<br>Rate: 5 cps |                 |                   |                          |
| Cycles                                   | Surface Length, in. | Cycles                               | Front Face: in. | Rear Face, in.    | Remarks                  |
| 0  | .040 (ELOX)         | 0                                    | .070            |                   |                          |
| 13,250                                   | .065                | 500                                  | .080            |                   |                          |
| 14,100                                   | .070                | 1000                                 | .085            |                   |                          |
|  |                     | 1500                                 | .090            |                   |                          |
|  |                     | 2000                                 | .095            |                   |                          |
|  |                     | 2500                                 | .100            |                   |                          |
|  |                     | 3000                                 | .105            |                   |                          |
|  |                     | 3500                                 | .110            |                   |                          |
|  |                     | 4000                                 | .120            |                   |                          |
|  |                     | 4500                                 | .130            |                   |                          |
|  |                     | 5000                                 | .140            |                   |                          |
|  |                     | 5500                                 | .155            |                   |                          |
|  |                     | 6000                                 | .170            |                   |                          |
|  |                     | 6500                                 | .200            |                   | Dimple on Rear Face      |
|  |                     | 7000                                 | .230            |                   |                          |
|  |                     | 7500                                 | .280            |                   |                          |
|  |                     | 7660                                 | .300            | .060              | Leak Detector Indication |
|  |                     | 8000                                 | .360            | .200              |                          |
|  |                     | 8500                                 | .740            | .740              |                          |
|  |                     | 8515                                 | .780            | .780              | Failure                  |

(1) Vacuum Leak Detector Used Throughout Test

TABLE A-8 FLAW GROWTH RECORD

|  |                     |                                      |                 |                   |                          |
|--|---------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------|-------------------|--------------------------|
| Specimen No. 11 <sup>(1)</sup>           |                     | Type: Monolithic                     |                 | ELOX: .024 x .040 |                          |
| Sharpening Stress: 36 KSI<br>Rate: 5 cps |                     | Growth Stress: 40 KSI<br>Rate: 5 cps |                 |                   |                          |
| Cycles                                   | Surface Length, in. | Cycles                               | Front Face, In. | Rear Face, in.    | Remarks                  |
| 0  | .040 (ELOX)         | 0                                    | .070            |                   |                          |
| 10,460                                   | .065                | 1000                                 | .080            |                   |                          |
| 11,000                                   | .070                | 1500                                 | .090            |                   |                          |
|  |                     | 2000                                 | .095            |                   |                          |
|  |                     | 2500                                 | .100            |                   |                          |
|  |                     | 3000                                 | .105            |                   |                          |
|  |                     | 3500                                 | .110            |                   |                          |
|  |                     | 4000                                 | .130            |                   |                          |
|  |                     | 4500                                 | .150            |                   |                          |
|  |                     | 5000                                 | .165            |                   |                          |
|  |                     | 5500                                 | .180            |                   |                          |
|  |                     | 6000                                 | .220            |                   |                          |
|  |                     | 6500                                 | .255            |                   |                          |
|  |                     | 6830                                 | .300            | .060              | Leak Detector Indication |
|  |                     | 7000                                 | .320            | .080              |                          |
|  |                     | 7250                                 | .370            | .280              |                          |
|  |                     | 7500                                 | .450            | .360              |                          |
|  |                     | 7866                                 | .830            | .830              | Failure                  |

(1) Vacuum Leak Detector Used Throughout Test

TABLE A-9 FLAW GROWTH RECORD

|  |                     |                                      |                 |                   |                                    |
|--|---------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------|-------------------|------------------------------------|
| Specimen No. 353492-1                    |                     | Type: .004 Laminate                  |                 | ELOX: .018 x .040 |                                    |
| Sharpening Stress: 36 KSI<br>Rate: 5 cps |                     | Growth Stress: 40 KSI<br>Rate: 5 cps |                 |                   |                                    |
| Cycles                                   | Surface Length, in. | Cycles                               | Front Face, in. | Rear Face, in.    | Remarks                            |
| 0  | .040 (ELOX)         | 0                                    | .070            |                   |                                    |
| 13,400                                   | .050                | 500                                  | .080            |                   |                                    |
| 14,000                                   | .060                | 1000                                 | .090            |                   |                                    |
| 16,000                                   | .070                | 1500                                 | .100            |                   |                                    |
|  |                     | 2000                                 | .110            |                   |                                    |
|  |                     | 2500                                 | .120            |                   |                                    |
|  |                     | 3000                                 | .130            |                   |                                    |
|  |                     | 3500                                 | .140            |                   | Dye Injected                       |
|  |                     | 4000                                 | .150            |                   |                                    |
|  |                     | 4500                                 | .160            |                   |                                    |
|  |                     | 5000                                 | .170            |                   |                                    |
|  |                     | 5500                                 | .190            |                   | Surface Wave Ultrasonic Indication |
|  |                     | 6000                                 | .210            |                   |                                    |
|  |                     | 6500                                 | .230            |                   |                                    |
|  |                     | 7000                                 | .250            |                   | Eddy Current Indication            |
|  |                     | 7500                                 | .270            |                   | Dimple on Rear Face                |
|  |                     | 8000                                 | .290            |                   |                                    |
|  |                     | 8500                                 | .310            |                   |                                    |
|  |                     | 9000                                 | .340            |                   |                                    |
|  |                     | 9500                                 | .360            |                   |                                    |
|  |                     | 10,000                               | .400            |                   |                                    |
|  |                     | 10,500                               | .440            |                   |                                    |
|  |                     | 11,000                               | .480            |                   |                                    |
|  |                     | 11,500                               | .540            |                   |                                    |
|  |                     | 12,000                               | .600            |                   |                                    |
|  |                     | 12,100                               | .630            | .080              | Crack Thru                         |
|  |                     | 12,430                               | .820            | .820              | Failure                            |

(1) Surface Wave Ultrasonic and Eddy Current Readings Taken Throughout Test

TABLE A-10 FLAW GROWTH RECORD

|  |                     |                                      |                 |                   |                     |
|--|---------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------|-------------------|---------------------|
| Specimen No. 353492-2                    |                     | Type: .004 LAMINATE                  |                 | ELOX: .023 x .040 |                     |
| Sharpening Stress: 36 KSI<br>Rate: 5 cps |                     | Growth Stress: 40 KSI<br>Rate: 5 cps |                 |                   |                     |
| Cycles                                   | Surface Length, in. | Cycles                               | Front Face, in. | Rear Face, in.    | Remarks             |
| 0  | .040 (ELOX)         | 0                                    | .070            |                   |                     |
| 9,000                                    | .060                | 500                                  | .080            |                   |                     |
| 10,000                                   | .070                | 1000                                 | .090            |                   |                     |
|  |                     | 1500                                 | .100            |                   |                     |
|  |                     | 2000                                 | .110            |                   |                     |
|  |                     | 2500                                 | .120            |                   |                     |
|  |                     | 3000                                 | .130            |                   |                     |
|  |                     | 3500                                 | .140            |                   |                     |
|  |                     | 4000                                 | .150            |                   |                     |
|  |                     | 4500                                 | .160            |                   |                     |
|  |                     | 5000                                 | .170            |                   |                     |
|  |                     | 5500                                 | .180            |                   |                     |
|  |                     | 6000                                 | .200            |                   |                     |
|  |                     | 6500                                 | .220            |                   |                     |
|  |                     | 7000                                 | .240            |                   |                     |
|  |                     | 7500                                 | .250            |                   |                     |
|  |                     | 8000                                 | .260            |                   |                     |
|  |                     | 8500                                 | .280            |                   |                     |
|  |                     | 9000                                 | .290            |                   |                     |
|  |                     | 9500                                 | .320            |                   |                     |
|  |                     | 10,000                               | .360            |                   |                     |
|  |                     | 10,300                               | .380            |                   |                     |
|  |                     | 10,500                               | .400            |                   |                     |
|  |                     | 10,800                               | .415            |                   |                     |
|  |                     | 11,000                               | .430            |                   | Dimple On Rear Face |
|  |                     | 11,300                               | .470            |                   |                     |
|  |                     | 11,500                               | .490            |                   |                     |
|  |                     | 11,800                               | .520            |                   |                     |
|  |                     | 12,000                               | .560            | .080              | Crack Thru          |
|  |                     | 12,300                               | .620            | .360              |                     |
|  |                     | 12,450                               | .800            | .800              | Failure             |

TABLE A-11 FLAW GROWTH RECORD

| Specimen No. 353492-3 <sup>(1)</sup>     |                     | Type: .004 Laminate                  |                 | ELOX: .018 x .040 |                                    |
|--|---------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------|-------------------|------------------------------------|
| Sharpening Stress: 36 KSI<br>Rate: 5 cps |                     | Growth Stress: 40 KSI<br>Rate: 5 cps |                 |                   |                                    |
| Cycles                                   | Surface Length, in. | Cycles                               | Front Face, in. | Rear Face, in.    | Remarks                            |
| 0  | .040 (ELOX)         | 0                                    | .070            |                   |                                    |
| 9000                                     | .050                | 500                                  | .080            |                   |                                    |
| 10,000                                   | .060                | 1000                                 | .090            |                   |                                    |
| 11,800                                   | .070                | 1500                                 | .095            |                   |                                    |
|  |                     | 2000                                 | .110            |                   |                                    |
|  |                     | 2500                                 | .120            |                   |                                    |
|  |                     | 3000                                 | .130            |                   |                                    |
|  |                     | 3500                                 | .137            |                   |                                    |
|  |                     | 3800                                 | .140            |                   |                                    |
|  |                     | 4000                                 | .142            |                   | Dye Injected                       |
|  |                     | 4500                                 | .160            |                   |                                    |
|  |                     | 5000                                 | .180            |                   |                                    |
|  |                     | 5500                                 | .190            |                   | Surface Wave Ultrasonic Indication |
|  |                     | 6000                                 | .210            |                   |                                    |
|  |                     | 6500                                 | .230            |                   |                                    |
|  |                     | 7000                                 | .250            |                   | Eddy Current Indication            |
|  |                     | 7500                                 | .270            |                   |                                    |
|  |                     | 8000                                 | .290            |                   |                                    |
|  |                     | 8500                                 | .310            |                   | Dimple on Rear Face                |
|  |                     | 9000                                 | .330            |                   |                                    |
|  |                     | 9500                                 | .350            |                   |                                    |
|  |                     | 10,000                               | .380            |                   |                                    |
|  |                     | 10,500                               | .400            |                   |                                    |
|  |                     | 11,000                               | .420            |                   |                                    |
|  |                     | 11,500                               | .440            |                   |                                    |
|  |                     | 12,000                               | .500            |                   |                                    |
|  |                     | 12,500                               | .550            |                   |                                    |
|  |                     | 13,000                               | .600            |                   |                                    |
|  |                     | 13,500                               | .660            |                   |                                    |
|  |                     | 13,550                               | .680            | .08               | Crack-Thru Failure                 |
|  |                     | 13,900                               | .800            | .700              |                                    |

(1) Surface Wave Ultrasonic and Eddy Current Readings Taken Throughout Test



TABLE A-12 FLAW GROWTH RECORD

|  |                     |                                      |                 |                   |                     |
|--|---------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------|-------------------|---------------------|
| Specimen No. 353492-4                    |                     | Type: .004 LAMINATE                  |                 | ELOX: .022 x .040 |                     |
| Sharpening Stress: 36 KSI<br>Rate: 5 cps |                     | Growth Stress: 40 KSI<br>Rate: 5 cps |                 |                   |                     |
| Cycles                                   | Surface Length, in. | Cycles                               | Front Face, in. | Rear Face, in.    | Remarks             |
| 0  | .040 (ELOX)         | 0                                    | .080            |                   |                     |
| 14,000                                   | .080                | 500                                  | .090            |                   |                     |
|  |                     | 1,000                                | .100            |                   |                     |
|  |                     | 1,500                                | .110            |                   |                     |
|  |                     | 2,000                                | .120            |                   |                     |
|  |                     | 2,500                                | .130            |                   |                     |
|  |                     | 3,000                                | .140            |                   |                     |
|  |                     | 3,500                                | .150            |                   |                     |
|  |                     | 4,000                                | .170            |                   |                     |
|  |                     | 4,500                                | .190            |                   |                     |
|  |                     | 5,000                                | .205            |                   |                     |
|  |                     | 5,500                                | .220            |                   |                     |
|  |                     | 6,000                                | .240            |                   |                     |
|  |                     | 6,500                                | .260            |                   |                     |
|  |                     | 7,000                                | .300            |                   | Dimple On Rear Face |
|  |                     | 7,500                                | .330            |                   |                     |
|  |                     | 8,000                                | .360            |                   |                     |
|  |                     | 8,500                                | .390            |                   |                     |
|  |                     | 9,000                                | .430            |                   |                     |
|  |                     | 9,500                                | .480            |                   |                     |
|  |                     | 10,000                               | .580            |                   |                     |
|  |                     | 10,085                               | .600            | .100              | Crack Thru          |
|  |                     | 10,200                               | .640            | .320              |                     |
|  |                     | 10,300                               | .700            | .540              |                     |
|  |                     | 10,350                               | .840            | .800              | Failure             |

TABLE A-13 FLAW GROWTH RECORD

|  |                     |                                      |                 |                   |                     |
|--|---------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------|-------------------|---------------------|
| Specimen No. 353492-5                    |                     | Type: .004 Laminate                  |                 | ELOX: .020 x .040 |                     |
| Sharpening Stress: 36 KSI<br>Rate: 5 cps |                     | Growth Stress: 40 KSI<br>Rate: 5 cps |                 |                   |                     |
| Cycles                                   | Surface Length, in. | Cycles                               | Front Face, in. | Rear Face, in.    | Remarks             |
| 0  | .040 (ELOX)         | 0                                    | .070            |                   |                     |
| 10,000                                   | .060                | 500                                  | .080            |                   |                     |
| 11,500                                   | .070                | 1000                                 | .090            |                   |                     |
|  |                     | 1500                                 | .100            |                   |                     |
|  |                     | 2000                                 | .110            |                   |                     |
|  |                     | 2500                                 | .120            |                   |                     |
|  |                     | 3000                                 | .130            |                   |                     |
|  |                     | 3500                                 | .150            |                   |                     |
|  |                     | 4000                                 | .160            |                   |                     |
|  |                     | 4500                                 | .170            |                   |                     |
|  |                     | 5000                                 | .190            |                   |                     |
|  |                     | 5500                                 | .210            |                   |                     |
|  |                     | 6000                                 | .230            |                   | Dye Injected        |
|  |                     | 6500                                 | .245            |                   |                     |
|  |                     | 7000                                 | .260            |                   |                     |
|  |                     | 7500                                 | .280            |                   |                     |
|  |                     | 8000                                 | .300            |                   | Dimple on Rear Face |
|  |                     | 8500                                 | .340            |                   |                     |
|  |                     | 9000                                 | .380            |                   |                     |
|  |                     | 9500                                 | .430            |                   | Dye Repeated        |
|  |                     | 10,000                               | .490            |                   |                     |
|  |                     | 10,800                               | .620            | .080              | Crack thru          |
|  |                     | 10,900                               | .650            | .240              |                     |
|  |                     | 11,000                               | .680            | .400              |                     |
|  |                     | 11,120                               | .800            | .780              | Failure             |

TABLE A-14 FLAW GROWTH RECORD

|  |                     |                                      |                 |                   |                     |
|--|---------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------|-------------------|---------------------|
| Specimen No. 353492-6                    |                     | Type: .004 LAMINATE                  |                 | ELOX: .027 x .040 |                     |
| Sharpening Stress: 36 KSI<br>Rate: 5 cps |                     | Growth Stress: 40 KSI<br>Rate: 5 cps |                 |                   |                     |
| Cycles                                   | Surface Length, in. | Cycles                               | Front Face, in. | Rear Face, in.    | Remarks             |
| 0  | .040 (ELOX)         | 0                                    | .070            |                   |                     |
| 9500                                     | .070                | 500                                  | .085            |                   |                     |
|  |                     | 1,000                                | .090            |                   |                     |
|  |                     | 1,500                                | .100            |                   |                     |
|  |                     | 2,000                                | .110            |                   |                     |
|  |                     | 2,500                                | .115            |                   |                     |
|  |                     | 3,000                                | .125            |                   |                     |
|  |                     | 4,000                                | .170            |                   |                     |
|  |                     | 5,000                                | .195            |                   |                     |
|  |                     | 6,000                                | .225            |                   |                     |
|  |                     | 7,000                                | .275            |                   |                     |
|  |                     | 7,500                                | .300            |                   |                     |
|  |                     | 8,000                                | .330            |                   |                     |
|  |                     | 8,500                                | .360            |                   |                     |
|  |                     | 9,000                                | .390            |                   |                     |
|  |                     | 9,500                                | (.440) ?        |                   | Dimple On Rear Face |
|  |                     | 10,000                               | .460            |                   |                     |
|  |                     | 10,500                               | .500            |                   |                     |
|  |                     | 11,000                               | .535            |                   |                     |
|  |                     | 11,500                               | .610            |                   |                     |
|  |                     | 11,750                               | .640            |                   |                     |
|  |                     | 12,000                               | .680            |                   |                     |
|  |                     | 12,200                               | .740            | .200              | Crack Thru Failure  |
|  |                     | 12,300                               | .820            | .820              |                     |

TABLE A-15 FLAW GROWTH RECORD

|  |                     |                                      |                 |                   |                     |
|--|---------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------|-------------------|---------------------|
| Specimen No. 353493-1                    |                     | Type: .008 LAMINATE                  |                 | ELOX: .021 x .040 |                     |
| Sharpening Stress: 36 KSI<br>Rate: 5 cps |                     | Growth Stress: 40 KSI<br>Rate: 5 cps |                 |                   |                     |
| Cycles                                   | Surface Length, in. | Cycles                               | Front Face, in. | Rear Face, in.    | Remarks             |
| 0  | .040 (ELOX)         | 0                                    | .070            |                   |                     |
| 8,000                                    | .060                | 1,000                                | .090            |                   |                     |
| 8,500                                    | .070                | 2,000                                | .110            |                   |                     |
|  |                     | 2,500                                | .120            |                   |                     |
|  |                     | 3,500                                | .165            |                   |                     |
|  |                     | 4,000                                | .180            |                   |                     |
|  |                     | 4,500                                | .205            |                   |                     |
|  |                     | 5,000                                | .225            |                   |                     |
|  |                     | 5,500                                | .245            |                   |                     |
|  |                     | 6,000                                | .275            |                   |                     |
|  |                     | 6,500                                | .295            |                   | Dimple On Rear Face |
|  |                     | 7,000                                | .330            |                   |                     |
|  |                     | 7,500                                | .390            |                   |                     |
|  |                     | 8,000                                | .440            |                   |                     |
|  |                     | 8,250                                | .470            |                   |                     |
|  |                     | 8,500                                | .500            |                   |                     |
|  |                     | 8,700                                | .530            |                   |                     |
|  |                     | 8,900                                | .600            | .070              | Crack Thru          |
|  |                     | 9,000                                | .670            | .340              |                     |
|  |                     | 9,050                                | .780            | .750              | Failure             |

TABLE A-16 FLAW GROWTH RECORD

|  |                     |                                      |                 |                   |                     |
|--|---------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------|-------------------|---------------------|
| Specimen No. 353493-2                    |                     | Type: .008 LAMINATE                  |                 | ELOX: .023 x .040 |                     |
| Sharpening Stress: 36 KSI<br>Rate: 5 cps |                     | Growth Stress: 40 KSI<br>Rate: 5 cps |                 |                   |                     |
| Cycles                                   | Surface Length, in. | Cycles                               | Front Face, in. | Front Face, in.   | Remarks             |
| 0  | .040 (ELOX)         | 0                                    | .070            |                   |                     |
| 9,000                                    | .065                | 500                                  | .080            |                   |                     |
| 9,500                                    | .070                | 1,000                                | .090            |                   |                     |
|  |                     | 1,500                                | .100            |                   |                     |
|  |                     | 2,000                                | .110            |                   |                     |
|  |                     | 2,500                                | .120            |                   |                     |
|  |                     | 3,000                                | .130            |                   |                     |
|  |                     | 3,500                                | .140            |                   |                     |
|  |                     | 4,000                                | .150            |                   |                     |
|  |                     | 4,500                                | .170            |                   |                     |
|  |                     | 5,000                                | .180            |                   |                     |
|  |                     | 5,500                                | .200            |                   |                     |
|  |                     | 6,000                                | .220            |                   |                     |
|  |                     | 6,500                                | .240            |                   |                     |
|  |                     | 7,000                                | .260            |                   |                     |
|  |                     | 7,500                                | .300            |                   |                     |
|  |                     | 8,000                                | .340            |                   | Dimple On Rear Face |
|  |                     | 8,500                                | .410            |                   |                     |
|  |                     | 9,000                                | .490            | .060              | Crack Thru          |
|  |                     | 9,100                                | .540            | .200              |                     |
|  |                     | 9,200                                | .560            | .360              |                     |
|  |                     | 9,300                                | .660            | .560              |                     |
|  |                     | 9,330                                | .820            | .800              | Failure             |

TABLE A-17 FLAW GROWTH RECORD

| Specimen No. 353493-3 <sup>(1)</sup> Type: .008 Laminate ELOX: .023 x .040 |                     |                                      |                 |                |                          |
|--|---------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------|----------------|--------------------------|
| Sharpening Stress: 36 KSI<br>Rate: 5 cps                                   |                     | Growth Stress: 40 KSI<br>Rate: 5 cps |                 |                |                          |
| Cycles   | Surface Length, in. | Cycles                               | Front Face, in. | Rear Face, in. | Remarks                  |
| 0  | .040 (ELOX)         | 0                                    | .070            |                |                          |
| 10,000   | .060                | 500                                  | .075            |                |                          |
| 10,500   | .065                | 1500                                 | .090            |                |                          |
| 11,000   | .070                | 2000                                 | .100            |                |                          |
|  |                     | 2500                                 | .110            |                |                          |
|  |                     | 3000                                 | .120            |                |                          |
|  |                     | 3500                                 | .130            |                |                          |
|  |                     | 4000                                 | .145            |                |                          |
|  |                     | 4500                                 | .160            |                |                          |
|  |                     | 5000                                 | .175            |                |                          |
|  |                     | 5500                                 | .190            |                |                          |
|  |                     | 6000                                 | .205            |                |                          |
|  |                     | 6500                                 | .220            |                |                          |
|  |                     | 7000                                 | .240            |                |                          |
|  |                     | 7500                                 | .270            |                |                          |
|  |                     | 8000                                 | .300            |                |                          |
|  |                     | 8500                                 | .330            |                |                          |
|  |                     | 9000                                 | .360            |                |                          |
|  |                     | 10,000                               | .440            |                |                          |
|  |                     | 10,200                               | .490            | .080           | Leak Detector Indication |
|  |                     | 10,500                               | .560            | .360           |                          |
|  |                     | 10,700                               | .800            | .760           | Failure                  |
| (1) Leak Detector Unit Used Throughout Test                                |                     |                                      |                 |                |                          |

TABLE A-18 FLAW GROWTH RECORD

| Specimen No. 353493-4 <sup>(1)</sup> Type: .008 Laminate    ELOX: .025 x .040 |                     |                                      |                 |                |                          |
|---|---------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------|----------------|--------------------------|
| Sharpening Stress: 36 KSI<br>Rate: 5 cps                                      |                     | Growth Stress: 40 KSI<br>Rate: 5 cps |                 |                |                          |
| Cycles  | Surface Length, in. | Cycles                               | Front Face, in. | Rear Face, in. | Remarks                  |
| 0   | .040 (ELOX)         | 0                                    | .070            |                |                          |
| 10,000  | .070                | 500                                  | .080            |                |                          |
|   |                     | 1000                                 | .090            |                |                          |
|   |                     | 1500                                 | .100            |                |                          |
|   |                     | 2000                                 | .110            |                |                          |
|   |                     | 2500                                 | .120            |                |                          |
|   |                     | 3000                                 | .130            |                |                          |
|   |                     | 3500                                 | .140            |                |                          |
|   |                     | 4000                                 | .155            |                |                          |
|   |                     | 4500                                 | .170            |                |                          |
|   |                     | 5000                                 | .180            |                |                          |
|   |                     | 5500                                 | .200            |                |                          |
|   |                     | 6000                                 | .215            |                |                          |
|   |                     | 6500                                 | .230            |                |                          |
|   |                     | 7000                                 | .245            |                |                          |
|   |                     | 7500                                 | .270            |                |                          |
|   |                     | 8000                                 | .300            |                |                          |
|   |                     | 8500                                 | .325            |                |                          |
|   |                     | 9000                                 | .355            |                |                          |
|   |                     | 9500                                 | .400            |                |                          |
|   |                     | 10,000                               | .445            |                |                          |
|   |                     | 10,500                               | .490            |                |                          |
|   |                     | 10,688                               | .530            | .08            | Leak Detector Indication |
|   |                     | 11,000                               | .610            | .370           |                          |
|   |                     | 11,100                               | .810            | .800           | Failure                  |
| (1) Leak Detector Unit Used Throughout Test                                   |                     |                                      |                 |                |                          |

TABLE A-19 FLAW GROWTH RECORD

| Specimen No.: 353493-5 <sup>(1)</sup> Type: .008 Laminate ELOX: .021 x .040 |                     |                                    |                 |                |                          |
|---|---------------------|------------------------------------|-----------------|----------------|--------------------------|
| Sharpening Stress: 36 KSI<br>Rate: 5 cps                                    |                     | Growth Stress: 40 KSI<br>Rate: cps |                 |                |                          |
| Cycles  | Surface Length, in. | Cycles                             | Front Face, in. | Rear Face, in. | Remarks                  |
| 0   | .040 (ELOX)         | 0                                  | .070            |                |                          |
| 10,000  | .070                | 500                                | .080            |                |                          |
|   |                     | 1000                               | .085            |                |                          |
|   |                     | 1500                               | .095            |                |                          |
|   |                     | 2000                               | .105            |                |                          |
|   |                     | 2500                               | .120            |                |                          |
|   |                     | 3500                               | .135            |                |                          |
|   |                     | 4000                               | .150            |                |                          |
|   |                     | 4500                               | .170            |                |                          |
|   |                     | 5000                               | .190            |                |                          |
|   |                     | 5500                               | .210            |                |                          |
|   |                     | 6000                               | .225            |                |                          |
|   |                     | 6500                               | .245            |                |                          |
|   |                     | 7000                               | .290            |                |                          |
|   |                     | 7500                               | .340            |                |                          |
|   |                     | 8000                               | .380            |                |                          |
|   |                     | 8500                               | .460            |                |                          |
|   |                     | 8750                               | .510            | .080           | Leak Detector Indication |
|   |                     | 9000                               | .630            | .440           |                          |
|   |                     | 9070                               | .820            | .820           | Failure                  |
| (1) Leak Detector Unit Used Throughout Test                                 |                     |                                    |                 |                |                          |



TABLE A-20 FLAW GROWTH RECORD

|  |                     |                                      |                 |                   |                     |
|--|---------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------|-------------------|---------------------|
| Specimen No. 353493-6                    |                     | Type: .008 LAMINATE                  |                 | ELOX: .028 x .040 |                     |
| Sharpening Stress: 36 KSI<br>Rate: 5 cps |                     | Growth Stress: 40 KSI<br>Rate: 5 cps |                 |                   |                     |
| Cycles                                   | Surface Length, in. | Cycles                               | Front Face, in. | Rear Face, in.    | Remarks             |
| 0  | .040 (ELOX)         | 0                                    | .070            |                   |                     |
| 7,500                                    | .070                | 1,000                                | .085            |                   |                     |
|  |                     | 2,000                                | .105            |                   |                     |
|  |                     | 2,500                                | .120            |                   |                     |
|  |                     | 3,000                                | .135            |                   |                     |
|  |                     | 3,500                                | .155            |                   |                     |
|  |                     | 4,000                                | .180            |                   |                     |
|  |                     | 4,500                                | .195            |                   |                     |
|  |                     | 5,000                                | .215            |                   |                     |
|  |                     | 5,500                                | .235            |                   |                     |
|  |                     | 6,000                                | .260            |                   |                     |
|  |                     | 6,500                                | .285            |                   |                     |
|  |                     | 7,000                                | .320            |                   | Dimple On Rear Face |
|  |                     | 7,500                                | .365            |                   |                     |
|  |                     | 8,000                                | .440            |                   |                     |
|  |                     | 8,500                                | .570            | .200              | Crack Thru Failure  |
|  |                     | 8,585                                | .620            | .580              |                     |

TABLE A-21 FLAW GROWTH RECORD

| Specimen No. 353494-1 <sup>(1)</sup> Type: .012 Laminate      ELOX: .024 x .040 |                     |                                      |                 |                |                          |
|---|---------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------|----------------|--------------------------|
| Sharpening Stress: 36 KSI<br>Rate: 5 cps  |                     | Growth Stress: 40 KSI<br>Rate: 5 cps |                 |                |                          |
| Cycles  | Surface Length, in. | Cycles                               | Front Face, in. | Rear Face, in. | Remarks                  |
| 0   | .040 (ELOX)         | 0                                    | .070            |                |                          |
| 9200  | .070                | 500                                  | .085            |                |                          |
|   |                     | 1000                                 | .105            |                |                          |
|   |                     | 1500                                 | .120            |                |                          |
|   |                     | 2000                                 | .130            |                |                          |
|   |                     | 2500                                 | .145            |                |                          |
|   |                     | 3000                                 | .160            |                |                          |
|   |                     | 3500                                 | .180            |                |                          |
|   |                     | 4000                                 | .200            |                |                          |
|   |                     | 4500                                 | .220            |                |                          |
|   |                     | 5000                                 | .245            |                |                          |
|   |                     | 5500                                 | .300            |                |                          |
|   |                     | 6000                                 | .360            |                |                          |
|   |                     | 6312                                 | .460            | .080           | Leak Detector Indication |
|   |                     | 6500                                 | .540            | .370           |                          |
|   |                     | 6585                                 | .700            | .700           | Failure                  |
| (1) Vacuum Leak Detector Unit Used Throughout Test                              |                     |                                      |                 |                |                          |

TABLE A-22 FLAW GROWTH RECORD

|  |                     |                                      |                 |                   |                     |
|--|---------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------|-------------------|---------------------|
| Specimen No. 353494-2                    |                     | Type: .012 LAMINATE                  |                 | ELOX: .023 x .040 |                     |
| Sharpening Stress: 36 KSI<br>Rate: 5 cps |                     | Growth Stress: 40 KSI<br>Rate: 5 cps |                 |                   |                     |
| Cycles                                   | Surface Length, in. | Cycles                               | Front Face, in. | Rear Face, in.    | Remarks             |
| 0  | .040 (ELOX)         | 0                                    | .070            |                   |                     |
| 9,250                                    | .070                | 500                                  | .080            |                   |                     |
|  |                     | 1,000                                | .090            |                   |                     |
|  |                     | 1,500                                | .110            |                   |                     |
|  |                     | 2,000                                | .125            |                   |                     |
|  |                     | 2,500                                | .140            |                   |                     |
|  |                     | 3,000                                | .155            |                   |                     |
|  |                     | 3,500                                | .175            |                   |                     |
|  |                     | 4,000                                | .195            |                   |                     |
|  |                     | 4,500                                | .215            |                   |                     |
|  |                     | 5,000                                | .240            |                   |                     |
|  |                     | 5,500                                | .265            |                   |                     |
|  |                     | 6,000                                | .300            |                   | Dimple On Rear Face |
|  |                     | 6,500                                | .350            |                   |                     |
|  |                     | 7,000                                | .460            |                   |                     |
|  |                     | 7,061                                | .460            | .080              | Crack Thru          |
|  |                     | 7,164                                | .510            | .280              |                     |
|  |                     | 7,200                                | .520            | .340              |                     |
|  |                     | 7,300                                | .640            | .640              | Failure             |

TABLE A-23 FLAW GROWTH RECORD

| Specimen No. 353494-3 <sup>(1)</sup> Type: .012 Laminate      ELOX: .022 x .040 |                     |                                      |                 |                |                                  |
|---|---------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------|----------------|----------------------------------|
| Sharpening Stress: 36 KSI<br>Rate: 5 cps  |                     | Growth Stress: 40 KSI<br>Rate: 5 cps |                 |                |                                  |
| Cycles  | Surface length, In. | Cycles                               | Front Face, in. | Rear Face, in. | Remarks                          |
| 0   | .040 (ELOX)         | 0                                    | .080            |                |                                  |
| 10,250  | .060                | 500                                  | .085            |                |                                  |
| 10,750  | .065                | 1000                                 | .095            |                |                                  |
| 11,050  | .080                | 1500                                 | .115            |                |                                  |
|   |                     | 2000                                 | .130            |                |                                  |
|   |                     | 2500                                 | .150            |                |                                  |
|   |                     | 3000                                 | .165            |                |                                  |
|   |                     | 3500                                 | .185            |                |                                  |
|   |                     | 4000                                 | .210            |                |                                  |
|   |                     | 4500                                 | .230            |                |                                  |
|   |                     | 5000                                 | .275            |                |                                  |
|   |                     | 5500                                 | .335            |                |                                  |
|   |                     | 6000                                 | .415            |                |                                  |
|   |                     | 6068                                 | .435            | .090           | Leak Detector Indication Failure |
|   |                     | 6348                                 | .670            | .780           |                                  |
| (1) Vacuum Leak Detector Used Throughout Test                                   |                     |                                      |                 |                |                                  |

TABLE A-24 FLAW GROWTH RECORD

|  |                     |                                      |                 |                   |                     |
|--|---------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------|-------------------|---------------------|
| Specimen No. 353494-4                    |                     | Type: .012 LAMINATE                  |                 | ELOX: .023 x .040 |                     |
| Sharpening Stress: 36 KSI<br>Rate: 5 cps |                     | Growth Stress: 40 KSI<br>Rate: 5 cps |                 |                   |                     |
| Cycles                                   | Surface Length, in. | Cycles                               | Front Face, in. | Rear Face, in.    | Remarks             |
| 0  | .040 (ELOX)         | 0                                    | .070            |                   |                     |
| 5,000                                    | .055                | 1,000                                | .090            |                   |                     |
| 6,000                                    | .065                | 2,000                                | .135            |                   |                     |
| 6,300                                    | .070                | 2,500                                | .145            |                   |                     |
|  |                     | 3,000                                | .175            |                   |                     |
|  |                     | 3,500                                | .190            |                   |                     |
|  |                     | 4,000                                | .225            |                   |                     |
|  |                     | 4,500                                | .250            |                   | Dimple On Rear Face |
|  |                     | 5,000                                | .290            |                   |                     |
|  |                     | 5,500                                | .370            |                   |                     |
|  |                     | 6,000                                | .510            | .100              | Crack Thru Failure  |
|  |                     | 6,145                                | .700            | .700              |                     |

TABLE A-25 FLAW GROWTH RECORD

Specimen No. 353494-5

Type: .012

ELOX: .022 x .040

SPECIMEN ACCIDENTALLY OVERLOADED TO FAILURE AFTER  
5000 CYCLES AT 36 KSI

TABLE A-26 FLAW GROWTH RECORD

|  |                     |                                      |                 |                   |                     |
|--|---------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------|-------------------|---------------------|
| Specimen No. 353494-6                    |                     | Type: .012 LAMINATE                  |                 | ELOX: .016 x .040 |                     |
| Sharpening Stress: 36 KSI<br>Rate: 5 cps |                     | Growth Stress: 40 KSI<br>Rate: 5 cps |                 |                   |                     |
| Cycles                                   | Surface Length, in. | Cycles                               | Front Face, in. | Rear Face, in.    | Remarks             |
| 0  | .040 (ELOX)         | 0                                    | .070            |                   |                     |
| 7,000                                    | .070                | 500                                  | .080            |                   |                     |
|  |                     | 1,000                                | .090            |                   |                     |
|  |                     | 1,500                                | .110            |                   |                     |
|  |                     | 2,500                                | .160            |                   |                     |
|  |                     | 3,000                                | .190            |                   |                     |
|  |                     | 3,500                                | .210            |                   |                     |
|  |                     | 4,000                                | .240            |                   |                     |
|  |                     | 4,500                                | .270            |                   |                     |
|  |                     | 5,000                                | .340            |                   | Dimple On Rear Face |
|  |                     | 5,500                                | .400            |                   |                     |
|  |                     | 6,000                                | .530            | .300              | Crack Thru          |
|  |                     | 6.150                                | .660            | .630              | Failure             |

**Appendix A (Continued)**

**PHASE II SPECIMENS**



TABLE A-27 FLAW GROWTH RECORD

|                                  |                     |                                      |                 |                   |                    |
|----------------------------------|---------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------|-------------------|--------------------|
| Specimen No.: 2                  |                     | Type: MONOLITHIC                     |                 | ELOX: .020 X .040 |                    |
| Sharpening Stress: 36<br>Rate: 5 |                     | Growth Stress: 40 KSI<br>Rate: 5 CPS |                 |                   |                    |
| Cycles                           | Surface Length, in. | Cycles                               | Front Face, in. | Rear Face, in.    | Remarks            |
| 0                                | .040 (ELOX)         | 0                                    | .135            |                   |                    |
| 12000                            | .050                | 1000                                 | .140            |                   |                    |
| 19000                            | .110                | 1500                                 | .150            |                   |                    |
| 19200                            | .125                | 2000                                 | .170            |                   |                    |
| 19250                            | .130                | 2500                                 | .190            |                   |                    |
| 19300                            | .135 (1)            | 3000                                 | .220            |                   |                    |
|                                  |                     | 3500                                 | .250            |                   |                    |
|                                  |                     | 4000                                 | .310            |                   |                    |
|                                  |                     | 4019                                 | .310            | .08               | Crack on Rear Face |
|                                  |                     | 4500                                 | .410            | .280              |                    |
|                                  |                     | 4972                                 | .820            | .820              | Failed             |

Notes 1. Specimen was dye marked at this time.

TABLE A-28 FLAW GROWTH RECORD

|                                      |                     |                                      |                 |                    |                    |
|--------------------------------------|---------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| Specimen No.: 4                      |                     | Type: Monolithic                     |                 | ELOX: .022' X .040 |                    |
| Sharpening Stress: 36<br>Rate: 5 CPS |                     | Growth Stress: 40 KSI<br>Rate: 5 CPS |                 |                    |                    |
| Cycles                               | Surface Length, in. | Cycles                               | Front Face, in. | Rear Face, in.     | Remarks            |
| 0                                    | .040 (ELOX)         | 0                                    | .135            |                    |                    |
| 11,000                               | Possible Start      | 500                                  | .150            |                    |                    |
| 12,000                               | .060                | 1000                                 | .165            |                    |                    |
| 13,000                               | .070                | 1500                                 | .190            |                    |                    |
| 15,000                               | .090                | 2000                                 | .210            |                    |                    |
| 16,000                               | .095                | 2500                                 | .250            |                    |                    |
| 17,000                               | .100                | 3000                                 | .290            |                    |                    |
| 18,500                               | .107                | 3078                                 | .300            | .06                | Crack on Rear Face |
| 19,000                               | .115                | 3500                                 | .380            | .28                |                    |
| 19,200                               | .120                | 3985                                 | .800            | .800               | Failed             |
| 19,400                               | .122                |                                      |                 |                    |                    |
| 19,600                               | .129                |                                      |                 |                    |                    |
| 19,800                               | .127                |                                      |                 |                    |                    |
| 20,000                               | .130                |                                      |                 |                    |                    |
| 20,300                               | .135 (1)            |                                      |                 |                    |                    |

Note: 1. Specimen was dye marked at this time.

TABLE A-29 FLAW GROWTH RECORD

|  |                |                  |            |                   |                   |
|--|----------------|------------------|------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| SPECIMEN #6  |                | TYPE: MONOLITHIC |            | ELOX: .023 x .040 |                   |
| SHARPENING STRESS: 36 KSI RATE: 5CPS // GROWTH STRESS: 40 KSI RATE: 5CPS |                |                  |            |                   |                   |
| CYCLES   | SURFACE LENGTH | CYCLES           | FRONT FACE | REAR FACE         | REMARKS           |
| 0  | .040 (ELOX)    | 0                | .135       |                   |                   |
| 10,000   | .060           | 500              | .150       |                   |                   |
| 12,000   | .070           | 1000             | .175       |                   |                   |
| 14,000   | .085           | 1500             | .200       |                   |                   |
| 16,000   | .100           | 1658             | .205       |                   | SLIGHT<br>DIMPLE  |
| 17,000   | .115           | 2000             | .230       |                   |                   |
| 17,500   | .120           | 2500             | .270       |                   | DECIDED<br>DIMPLE |
| 17,700   | .125           | 2700             | .300       |                   |                   |
| 18,000   | .130           | 2740             | .305       | .040              | CRACK THRU        |
| 18,250   | .135           | 2900             | .325       | .150              |                   |
|  |                | 3100             | .410       | .230              |                   |
|  |                | 3200             | .430       | .300              |                   |
|  |                | 3300             | .465       | .380              |                   |
|  |                | 3400             | .530       | .480              |                   |
|  |                | 3500             | .670       | .680              |                   |
|  |                | 3521             | .740       | .740              | FAILURE           |

TABLE A-30 FLAW GROWTH RECORD

| Specimen #8                              |                     | Type: MONOLITHIC                     |                 | ELOX: .023 x .040 |                |
|--|---------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------|-------------------|----------------|
| Sharpening Stress: 36 KSI<br>Rate: 5 cps |                     | Growth Stress: 40 KSI<br>Rate: 5 cps |                 |                   |                |
| Cycles                                   | Surface Length, in. | Cycles                               | Front Face, in. | Rear Face, in.    | Remarks        |
| 0  | .040 (ELOX)         | 0                                    | .135            |                   |                |
| 10,000                                   | .045                | 500                                  | .140            |                   |                |
| 11,000                                   | .055                | 1000                                 | .160            |                   |                |
| 12,000                                   | .060                | 1500                                 | .190            |                   | Slight Dimple  |
| 13,000                                   | .070                |                                      |                 |                   | On Rear Face   |
| 14,000                                   | .085                | 2000                                 | .220            |                   |                |
| 15,000                                   | .090                | 2500                                 | .260            |                   | Decided Dimple |
| 16,000                                   | .095                | 2745                                 | .285            | .050              | Crack Thru     |
| 17,000                                   | .100                | 3000                                 | .320            | .180              |                |
| 17,500                                   | .110                | 3200                                 | .365            | .300              |                |
| 18,000                                   | .120                | 3400                                 | .450            | .440              |                |
| 18,400                                   | .131                | 3500                                 | .540            | .500              |                |
| 18,450                                   | .135                | 3575                                 | .620            | .600              |                |
|  |                     | 3645                                 | .820            | .820              | Failure        |

TABLE A-31 FLAW GROWTH RECORD

|  |                     |                                      |                 |                   |                    |
|--|---------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------|-------------------|--------------------|
| Specimen No.: 10                         |                     | Type: Monolithic                     |                 | ELOX: .024 X .040 |                    |
| Sharpening Stress: 36 KSI<br>Rate: 5 CPS |                     | Growth Stress: 40 KSI<br>Rate: 5 CPS |                 |                   |                    |
| Cycles                                   | Surface Length, in. | Cycles                               | Front Face, in. | Rear Face, in.    | Remarks            |
| 0  | .040 (ELOX)         | 0                                    | .135            |                   |                    |
| 12,000                                   | .070                | 500                                  | .150            |                   |                    |
| 14,000                                   | .190                | 1000                                 | .170            |                   |                    |
| 16,000                                   | .105                | 1500                                 | .195            |                   |                    |
| 18,000                                   | .120                | 2000                                 | .215            |                   |                    |
| 18,500                                   | .135 (1)            | 2500                                 | .260            |                   |                    |
|  |                     | 2700                                 | .285            |                   |                    |
|  |                     | 2769                                 | .290            | .040              | Crack on Rear Face |
|  |                     | 3000                                 | .330            | .120              |                    |
|  |                     | 3250                                 | .380            | .280              |                    |
|  |                     | 3500                                 | .500            | .440              |                    |
|  |                     | 3680                                 | .800            | .800              | Failed             |

Note: 1 Specimen was dye marked at this time.

TABLE A-32 FLAW GROWTH RECORD

|  |                     |                                      |                 |                   |                    |
|--|---------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------|-------------------|--------------------|
| Specimen No.: 12                         |                     | Type: Monolithic                     |                 | ELOX: .024 X .040 |                    |
| Sharpening Stress: 36 KSI<br>Rate: 5 CPS |                     | Growth Stress: 40 KSI<br>Rate: 5 CPS |                 |                   |                    |
| Cycles                                   | Surface Length, in. | Cycles                               | Front Face, in. | Rear Face, in.    | Remarks            |
| 0  | .040 (ELOX)         | 0                                    | .135            |                   |                    |
| 12,000                                   | .020                | 500                                  | .150            |                   |                    |
| 16,000                                   | .090                | 1000                                 | .170            |                   |                    |
| 18,000                                   | .110                | 1500                                 | .190            |                   |                    |
| 20,000                                   | .135                | 2000                                 | .210            |                   |                    |
|  |                     | 2500                                 | .260            |                   |                    |
|  |                     | 2786                                 | .300            | .08               | Crack on Rear Face |
|  |                     | 3000                                 | .340            | .230              |                    |
|  |                     | 3250                                 | .400            | .340              |                    |
|  |                     | 3500                                 | .600            | .600              |                    |
|  |                     | 3550                                 | .800            | .800              | Failed             |

Notes: 1. Specimen was dye marked at this time.

TABLE A-33 FLAW GROWTH RECORD

|  |                        |                                      |                    |                   |  |
|--|------------------------|--------------------------------------|--------------------|-------------------|--|
| Specimen No. 353492-1A                   |                        | Type: .004 Laminate                  |                    | ELOX: .018 x .050 |  |
| Sharpening Stress: 36 KSI<br>Rate: 5 cps |                        | Growth Stress: 40 KSI<br>Rate: 5 cps |                    |                   |  |
| Cylces                                   | Surface<br>Length, in. | Cycles                               | Front<br>Face: in. | Rear<br>Face: in. | Remarks  |
| 0  | .050 (ELOX)            | 0                                    | .290               |                   |  |
| 13,700                                   | .080                   | 250                                  | .310               |                   |  |
| 15,000                                   | .085                   | 500                                  | .320               |                   |  |
| 16,000                                   | .095                   | 750                                  | .330               |                   |  |
| 17,000                                   | .105                   | 1000                                 | .340               |                   | Dimple on<br>Rear Face                                     |
| 18,000                                   | .120                   |                                      |                    |                   |  |
| 19,000                                   | .140                   | 1250                                 | .350               |                   |  |
| 20,000                                   | .155                   | 1500                                 | .360               |                   |  |
| 21,000                                   | .170                   | 1750                                 | .380               |                   |  |
| 22,000                                   | .195                   | 2000                                 | .390               |                   |  |
| 23,000                                   | .215                   | 2250                                 | .410               |                   |  |
| 24,000                                   | .240                   | 2500                                 | .410               |                   |  |
| 25,000                                   | .270                   | 2750                                 | .420               |                   |  |
| 25,400                                   | .280                   | 3000                                 | .430               |                   |  |
| 25,500                                   | .280                   | 3250                                 | .450               |                   |  |
| 25,600                                   | .290                   | 3500                                 | .460               |                   |  |
|  |                        | 3750                                 | .480               |                   |  |
|  |                        | 4000                                 | .500               |                   |  |
|  |                        | 4250                                 | .520               |                   |  |
|  |                        | 4500                                 | .540               |                   |  |
|  |                        | 4750                                 | .540               |                   |  |
|  |                        | 5000                                 | .560               |                   |  |
|  |                        | 5250                                 | .580               |                   |  |
|  |                        | 5500                                 | .600               |                   |  |
|  |                        | 5750                                 | .630               |                   |  |
|  |                        | 6000                                 | .660               |                   |  |
|  |                        | 6250                                 | .700               |                   |  |
|  |                        | 6500                                 | .730               |                   |  |
|  |                        | 6750                                 | .770               |                   |  |
|  |                        | 7000                                 | .840               | .360              |  |
|  |                        | 7040                                 | .920               | .690              | Crack Thru<br>Failure<br>Dye did not<br>penetrate<br>crack |

TABLE A-34 FLAW GROWTH RECORD

| Specimen No. 353492-2A      Type: .004 Laminate      ELOX: .016 x .050 |                     |                                      |                 |                |  |
|--|---------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------|----------------|--|
| Sharpening Stress: 36 KSI<br>Rate: 5 cps                               |                     | Growth Stress: 40 KSI<br>Rate: 5 cps |                 |                |  |
| Cycles   | Surface Length, in. | Cycles                               | Front Face: in. | Rear Face: in. | Remarks                                      |
| 0  | .050 (ELOX)         | 0                                    | .290            |                |  |
| 11,000   | .060                | 500                                  | .330            |                |  |
| 12,000   | .065                | 1000                                 | .395            |                | Dimple on Rear Face                          |
| 13,000   | .075                |                                      |                 |                |  |
| 14,000   | .085                | 1500                                 | .495            |                |  |
| 15,000   | .095                | 2000                                 | .660            |                |  |
| 16,000   | .110                | 2250                                 | .780            |                |  |
| 17,000   | .125                | 2350                                 | .820            |                |  |
| 18,000   | .140                | 2400                                 | .850            |                |  |
| 19,000   | .155                | 2450                                 | .890            |                |  |
| 20,000   | .185                | 2500                                 | .940            |                |  |
| 21,000   | .215                | 2550                                 | .970            |                |  |
| 22,000   | .255                | 2600                                 | 1.030           |                |  |
| 23,000   | .280                | 2650                                 | 1.080           |                |  |
| 23,200   | .290                | 2750                                 | 1.350           |                | Failure, Separation between 2nd & 3rd layers |
|  |                     |                                      |                 |                | Dye penetrated to third layer                |



TABLE A-35 FLAW GROWTH RECORD

| Specimen No.: 353492-3A <sup>(1)</sup> Type: Laminate ELOX: .110 X .053   |                     |                                      |                 |                |                              |
|---|---------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------|----------------|------------------------------|
| Sharpening Stress: 36 KSI<br>Rate: 5 CPS  |                     | Growth Stress: 40 KSI<br>Rate: 5 CPS |                 |                |                              |
| Cycles  | Surface Length, in. | Cycles                               | Front Face, in. | Rear Face, in. | Remarks                      |
| 0   | .110                | 0                                    | .145            |                |                              |
| 3,100   | .145 (2)            | 1000                                 | .195            |                |                              |
|   |                     | 2200                                 | .280            |                |                              |
|   |                     | 2500                                 | .315            |                |                              |
|   |                     | 3200                                 | .400            |                |                              |
|   |                     | 3500                                 | .450            |                |                              |
|   |                     | 3750                                 | .500            |                |                              |
|   |                     | 4000                                 | .560            |                |                              |
|   |                     | 4180                                 | .640            | .200           | Crack Thru<br>Leak Detection |
|   |                     | 4250                                 | .670            | .340           |                              |
|   |                     | 4300                                 | .750            | .530           | Failure (3)                  |
| Notes: 1. Vacuum leak detector used throughout test.<br>2. Specimen was dye marked at this time.<br>3. Dye did not penetrate crack. |                     |                                      |                 |                |                              |

TABLE A-36 FLAW GROWTH RECORD

| Specimen No.: 353492-1A <sup>(1)</sup> Type: Laminate  |                     | ELOX: .110 X .053                    |                 |                |                              |
|--|---------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------|----------------|------------------------------|
| Sharpening Stress: 36 KSI<br>Rate: 5 CPS   |                     | Growth Stress: 40 KSI<br>Rate: 5 CPS |                 |                |                              |
| Cycles   | Surface Length, in. | Cycles                               | Front Face, in. | Rear Face, in. | Remarks                      |
| 0  | .110                | 0                                    | .145            |                | Penetrate                    |
| 3150   | .145 (2)            | 1000                                 | .195            |                |                              |
|  |                     | 2000                                 | .245            |                |                              |
|  |                     | 3000                                 | .320            |                |                              |
|  |                     | 3500                                 | .365            |                |                              |
|  |                     | 4000                                 | .450            |                |                              |
|  |                     | 4250                                 | .500            |                |                              |
|  |                     | 4500                                 | .560            |                |                              |
|  |                     | 4690                                 | .590            | .100           | Crack thru<br>Leak Detection |
|  |                     | 4800                                 | .680            | .320           |                              |
|  |                     | 4900                                 | .720            | .650           |                              |
|  |                     | 4930                                 | .800            | .720           | Failure <sup>(3)</sup>       |
| Notes: 1. Vacuum leak detector used throughout test<br>2. Specimen was dye marked at this time<br>3. Dye did not penetrate crack |                     |                                      |                 |                |                              |

TABLE A-37 FLAW GROWTH RECORD

| Specimen No.: 353492-5A <sup>(1)</sup> Type: Laminate ELOX: .110 X .048<br>.004 Diffusion Line |                     |                                      |                 |                |                              |
|--|---------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------|----------------|------------------------------|
| Sharpening Stress: 36 KSI<br>Rate: 5 CPS   |                     | Growth Stress: 40 KSI<br>Rate: 5 CPS |                 |                |                              |
| Cycles   | Surface Length, in. | Cycles                               | Front Face, in. | Rear Face, in. | Remarks                      |
| 0  | .110                | 0                                    | .145            |                |                              |
| 3300   | .145 (2)            | 1000                                 | .180            |                |                              |
|  |                     | 2000                                 | .220            |                |                              |
|  |                     | 3000                                 | .275            |                |                              |
|  |                     | 3500                                 | .310            |                |                              |
|  |                     | 4000                                 | .355            |                |                              |
|  |                     | 4500                                 | .405            |                |                              |
|  |                     | 4750                                 | .440            |                |                              |
|  |                     | 5000                                 | .475            |                |                              |
|  |                     | 5250                                 | .525            |                |                              |
|  |                     | 5500                                 | .580            |                |                              |
|  |                     | 5685                                 | .620            | .110           | Crack thru<br>Leak Detection |
|  |                     | 5750                                 | .650            | .240           |                              |
|  |                     | 5850                                 | .700            | .440           |                              |
|  |                     | 5930                                 | .780            | .700           | Failure                      |
| Notes: 1. Vacuum leak detector used throughout test<br>2. Specimen was dye marked at this time |                     |                                      |                 |                |                              |

TABLE A-38 FLAW GROWTH RECORD

| Specimen No.: 353492-6A <sup>(1)</sup> Type: Laminate ELOX: .110 X .059<br>.004 Diffusion Line |                     |                                      |                 |                |                              |
|--|---------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------|----------------|------------------------------|
| Sharpening Stress: 36 KSI<br>Rate: 5 CPS   |                     | Growth Stress: 40 KSI<br>Rate: 5 CPS |                 |                |                              |
| Cycles   | Surface Length, in. | Cycles                               | Front Face, in. | Rear Face, in. | Remarks                      |
| 0  | .110                | 0                                    | .150            |                |                              |
| 2600   | .150 (2)            | 1000                                 | .205            |                |                              |
|  |                     | 2000                                 | .295            |                |                              |
|  |                     | 2500                                 | .355            |                |                              |
|  |                     | 3000                                 | .420            |                |                              |
|  |                     | 3500                                 | .520            |                |                              |
|  |                     | 3750                                 | .580            |                |                              |
|  |                     | 4000                                 | .670            |                |                              |
|  |                     | 4130                                 | .710            | .100           | Crack thru<br>Leak Detection |
|  |                     | 4200                                 | .760            | .220           |                              |
|  |                     | 4235                                 | .820            | .540           | Failure                      |
| Notes: 1. Vacuum leak detector used throughout test<br>2. Specimen was dye marked at this time |                     |                                      |                 |                |                              |

**Appendix A (Continued)**

**PHASE III SPECIMENS**

TABLE A-39 FLAW GROWTH RECORD

|  |                     |                                      |                 |                   |               |
|--|---------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------|-------------------|---------------|
| Specimen #13                             |                     | Type: MONOLITHIC                     |                 | ELOX: .025 x .040 |               |
| Sharpening Stress: 36 KSI<br>Rate: 5 cps |                     | Growth Stress: 48 KSI<br>Rate: 5 cps |                 |                   |               |
| Cycles                                   | Surface Length, in. | Cycles                               | Front Face, in. | Rear Face, in.    | Remarks       |
| 0  | .040 (ELOX)         | 0                                    | .090            |                   |               |
| 11,000                                   | .050                | 500                                  | .105            |                   |               |
| 12,000                                   | .055                | 1000                                 | .120            |                   |               |
| 13,000                                   | .060                | 1500                                 | .135            |                   |               |
| 14,000                                   | .065                | 2000                                 | .200            |                   | Slight Dimple |
| 15,000                                   | .075                | 2250                                 | .230            |                   |               |
| 15,750                                   | .080                | 2500                                 | .290            |                   |               |
| 16,000                                   | .0825               | 2572                                 | .305            | .070              | Crack Thru    |
| 16,500                                   | .089                | 2700                                 | .345            | .240              |               |
| 16,600                                   | .090                | 2800                                 | .480            | .440              |               |
|  |                     | 2810                                 | .500            | .450              | Failure       |

TABLE A-40 FLAW GROWTH RECORD

|  |                     |                                      |                 |                   |   |
|--|---------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------|-------------------|---|
| Specimen No.: 14                         |                     | Type: Monolithic                     |                 | ELOX: .025 X .040 |   |
| Sharpening Stress: 36 KSI<br>Rate: 5 CPS |                     | Growth Stress: 48 KSI<br>Rate: 5 CPS |                 |                   |   |
| Cycles                                   | Surface Length, in. | Cycles                               | Front Face, in. | Rear Face, in.    | Remarks                                   |
| 0  | .040 (Elox)         | 0                                    | .135            |                   | Ultrasonic Reading<br>Dimple on Rear Face |
| 10,000                                   | .075                | 250                                  | .150            |                   |   |
| 12,000                                   | .085                | 500                                  | .170            |                   |   |
| 14,000                                   | .100                | 750                                  | .190            |                   |   |
| 15,000                                   | .115                | 1000                                 | .220            |                   |   |
| 15,500                                   | .120                | 1250                                 | .280            |                   | Crack on Rear Face<br>Failed              |
| 16,000                                   | .125                | 1500                                 | .420            | .380              |   |
| 16,350                                   | .135                | 1520                                 | .460            | .440              |   |

TABLE A-41 FLAW GROWTH RECORD

|  |                     |                                      |                 |                   |                     |
|--|---------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------|-------------------|---------------------|
| Specimen No.: 15                         |                     | Type: Monolithic                     |                 | ELOX: .025 X .040 |                     |
| Sharpening Stress: 36 KSI<br>Rate: 5 CPS |                     | Growth Stress: 48 KSI<br>Rate: 5 CPS |                 |                   |                     |
| Cycles                                   | Surface Length, in. | Cycles                               | Front Face, in. | Rear Face, in.    | Remarks             |
| 0  | .040 (Elox)         | 0                                    | .070            |                   |                     |
| 10,300                                   | .070                | 500                                  | .080            |                   |                     |
|  |                     | 1000                                 | .090            |                   |                     |
|  |                     | 1500                                 | .100            |                   |                     |
|  |                     | 2000                                 | .110            |                   |                     |
|  |                     | 2500                                 | .115            |                   |                     |
|  |                     | 3000                                 | .150            |                   |                     |
|  |                     | 3500                                 | .210            |                   |                     |
|  |                     | 4000                                 | .350            | .08               | Dimple on Rear Face |
|  |                     | 4130                                 | .490            | .430              | Crack on Rear Face  |
|  |                     |                                      |                 |                   | Failure             |



TABLE A-42 FLAW GROWTH RECORD

|  |                     |                                      |                 |                   |                        |
|--|---------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------|-------------------|------------------------|
| Specimen No.: 16                         |                     | Type: Monolithic                     |                 | ELOX: .025 X .040 |                        |
| Sharpening Stress: 36 KSI<br>Rate: 5 CPS |                     | Growth Stress: 48 KSI<br>Rate: 5 CPS |                 |                   |                        |
| Cycles                                   | Surface Length, in. | Cycles                               | Front Face, in. | Rear Face, in.    | Remarks                |
| 0  | .040 (Elox)         | 0                                    | .135            |                   |                        |
| 10,000                                   | .080                | 700                                  | .170            |                   |                        |
| 13,500                                   | .135                | 1000                                 | .230            |                   | Dimple on Rear Surface |
|  |                     | 1250                                 | .280            |                   |                        |
|  |                     | 1350                                 | .310            | .100              | Crack on Rear Face     |
|  |                     | 1450                                 | .385            | .320              |                        |
|  |                     | 1530                                 | .470            | .430              | Failure                |

TABLE A-43 FLAW GROWTH RECORD

|  |                     |                                      |                 |                   |                    |
|--|---------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------|-------------------|--------------------|
| Specimen No.: 17                         |                     | Type: Monolithic                     |                 | ELOX: .027 X .040 |                    |
| Sharpening Stress: 36 KSI<br>Rate: 5 CPS |                     | Growth Stress: 48 KSI<br>Rate: 5 CPS |                 |                   |                    |
| Cycles                                   | Surface Length, in. | Cycles                               | Front Face, in. | Rear Face, in.    | Remarks            |
| 0  | .040 (Elox)         | 0                                    | .070            |                   |                    |
| 9500                                     | .065                | 250                                  | .080            |                   |                    |
| 10000                                    | .070                | 500                                  | .090            |                   |                    |
|  |                     | 750                                  | .095            |                   |                    |
|  |                     | 1000                                 | .100            |                   |                    |
|  |                     | 1250                                 | .105            |                   |                    |
|  |                     | 1500                                 | .110            |                   |                    |
|  |                     | 1750                                 | .120            |                   |                    |
|  |                     | 2000                                 | .125            |                   |                    |
|  |                     | 2250                                 | .140            |                   |                    |
|  |                     | 2500                                 | .155            |                   |                    |
|  |                     | 2750                                 | .170            |                   |                    |
|  |                     | 3000                                 | .195            |                   |                    |
|  |                     | 3250                                 | .230            |                   |                    |
|  |                     | 3500                                 | .275            |                   |                    |
|  |                     | 3683                                 | .335            | .070              | Crack on Rear Face |
|  |                     | 3750                                 | .400            | .260              |                    |
|  |                     | 3800                                 | .490            | .470              | Failed             |

TABLE A-44 FLAW GROWTH RECORD

|  |                     |                                      |                 |                   |                       |
|--|---------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------|-------------------|-----------------------|
| Specimen No.: 18                         |                     | Type: Monolithic                     |                 | ELOX: .029 X .040 |                       |
| Sharpening Stress: 36 KSI<br>Rate: 5 CPS |                     | Growth Stress: 48 KSI<br>Rate: 5 CPS |                 |                   |                       |
| Cycles                                   | Surface Length, in. | Cycles                               | Front Face, in. | Rear Face, in.    | Remarks               |
| 0  | .040 (Elox)         | 0                                    | .135            |                   |                       |
| 12,000                                   | .070                | 250                                  | .160            |                   |                       |
| 14,500                                   | .100                | 500                                  | .190            |                   |                       |
| 14,000                                   | .110                | 750                                  | .230            |                   |                       |
| 16,000                                   | .135                | 1000                                 | .280            |                   |                       |
|  |                     | 1100                                 | .300            |                   |                       |
|  |                     | 1200                                 | .330            |                   |                       |
|  |                     | 1241                                 | .340            | .080              | Crack on<br>Rear Face |
|  |                     | 1300                                 | .380            | .220              |                       |
|  |                     | 1350                                 | .480            | .480              | Failed                |

TABLE A-45 FLAW GROWTH RECORD

|  |                     |                                      |                 |                   |             |
|--|---------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------|-------------------|-------------|
| Specimen No.: 353492-7A                  |                     | Type: Laminate                       |                 | ELOX: .016 X .050 |             |
| Sharpening Stress: 36 KSI<br>Rate: 5 CPS |                     | Growth Stress: 48 KSI<br>Rate: 5 CPS |                 |                   |             |
| Cycles                                   | Surface Length, in. | Cycles                               | Front Face, in. | Rear Face, in.    | Remarks     |
| 0  | .055                | 0                                    | .070            |                   |             |
| 9000                                     | .065                | 1000                                 | .096            |                   |             |
| 9500                                     | .070 (1)            | 2000                                 | .135            |                   |             |
|  |                     | 3000                                 | .180            |                   |             |
|  |                     | 3500                                 | .210            |                   |             |
|  |                     | 4000                                 | .245            |                   |             |
|  |                     | 4500                                 | .295            |                   |             |
|  |                     | 5000                                 | .335            |                   |             |
|  |                     | 5500                                 | .375            |                   |             |
|  |                     | 6000                                 | .430            |                   |             |
|  |                     | 6500                                 | .480            |                   |             |
|  |                     | 6750                                 | .550            |                   |             |
|  |                     | 7000                                 | .560            |                   |             |
|  |                     | 7250                                 | .590            |                   |             |
|  |                     | 7500                                 | .620            |                   |             |
|  |                     | 7750                                 | .680            |                   |             |
|  |                     | 8000                                 | .770            |                   |             |
|  |                     | 8175                                 | .890            | .150              | Failure (2) |

Notes: 1. Specimen was dye marked at this time  
2. Dye did not penetrate crack

TABLE A-46 FLAW GROWTH RECORD

|  |                     |                                      |                 |                   |  |
|--|---------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------|-------------------|--|
| Specimen No. 353492-8A                   |                     | Type: .004 Laminate                  |                 | ELOX: .018 x .050 |  |
| Sharpening Stress: 36 KSI<br>Rate: 5 cps |                     | Growth Stress: 48 KSI<br>Rate: 5 cps |                 |                   |  |
| Cycles                                   | Surface Length, in. | Cycles                               | Front Face: in. | Rear Face: in.    | Remarks                                  |
| 0  | .050 (ELOX)         | 0                                    | .070            |                   |  |
| 14,500                                   | .070                | 250                                  | .080            |                   |  |
|  |                     | 500                                  | .090            |                   |  |
|  |                     | 750                                  | .100            |                   |  |
|  |                     | 1000                                 | .105            |                   |  |
|  |                     | 1250                                 | .110            |                   |  |
|  |                     | 1500                                 | .120            |                   |  |
|  |                     | 1750                                 | .135            |                   |  |
|  |                     | 2000                                 | .150            |                   |  |
|  |                     | 2250                                 | .160            |                   |  |
|  |                     | 2500                                 | .180            |                   |  |
|  |                     | 2750                                 | .190            |                   |  |
|  |                     | 3000                                 | .210            |                   |  |
|  |                     | 3250                                 | .230            |                   |  |
|  |                     | 3500                                 | .240            |                   |  |
|  |                     | 3750                                 | .260            |                   |  |
|  |                     | 4000                                 | .280            |                   |  |
|  |                     | 4150                                 | .290            |                   |  |
|  |                     | 4250                                 | .300            |                   | Dimple on Rear Face                      |
|  |                     | 4500                                 | .320            |                   |  |
|  |                     | 4750                                 | .340            |                   |  |
|  |                     | 5000                                 | .360            |                   |  |
|  |                     | 5250                                 | .380            |                   |  |
|  |                     | 5500                                 | .400            |                   |  |
|  |                     | 5750                                 | .430            |                   |  |
|  |                     | 6000                                 | .460            |                   |  |
|  |                     | 6250                                 | .480            |                   |  |
|  |                     | 6500                                 | .510            |                   |  |
|  |                     | 6750                                 | .540            |                   |  |
|  |                     | 7000                                 | .580            |                   |  |
|  |                     | 7250                                 | .620            |                   |  |
|  |                     | 7500                                 | .680            |                   |  |
|  |                     | 7750                                 | .840            | .140              | Failure, Dye penetrated first layer only |

TABLE A-47 FLAW GROWTH RECORD

|  |                     |                                      |                 |                   |                            |
|--|---------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------|-------------------|----------------------------|
| Specimen No.: 353492-9A                  |                     | Type: LAMINATE                       |                 | ELOX: .015 X .050 |                            |
| Sharpening Stress: 36 KSI<br>Rate: 5 CPS |                     | Growth Stress: 48 KSI<br>Rate: 5 CPS |                 |                   |                            |
| Cycles                                   | Surface Length, in. | Cycles                               | Front Face, in. | Rear Face, in.    | Remarks                    |
| 0  | .050                | 0                                    | .070            |                   |                            |
| 10,500                                   | .070 (1)            | 1000                                 | .100            |                   |                            |
|  |                     | 2000                                 | .130            |                   |                            |
|  |                     | 3000                                 | .175            |                   |                            |
|  |                     | 4000                                 | .230            |                   |                            |
|  |                     | 4500                                 | .270            |                   |                            |
|  |                     | 5000                                 | .305            |                   |                            |
|  |                     | 5500                                 | .360            |                   | Slight Dimple on Rear Face |
|  |                     | 6000                                 | .410            |                   |                            |
|  |                     | 6500                                 | .465            |                   |                            |
|  |                     | 7000                                 | .550            |                   |                            |
|  |                     | 7250                                 | .580            |                   |                            |
|  |                     | 7500                                 | .670            |                   |                            |
|  |                     | 7750                                 | .620            |                   |                            |
|  |                     | 8000                                 | .740            |                   |                            |
|  |                     | 8200                                 | .850            |                   |                            |
|  |                     | 8230                                 | .940            |                   | Failure (2)                |

Notes: 1. Specimen was dye marked at this time  
2. Dye did not penetrate crack

TABLE A-48 FLAW GROWTH RECORD

|  |                     |                                      |                 |                   |                               |
|--|---------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------|-------------------|-------------------------------|
| Specimen No. 353492-10A                  |                     | Type: .004 Laminate                  |                 | ELOX: .020 x .050 |                               |
| Sharpening Stress: 36 KSI<br>Rate: 5 cps |                     | Growth Stress: 48 KSI<br>Rate: 5 cps |                 |                   |                               |
| Cycles                                   | Surface Length, in. | Cycles                               | Front Face: in. | Rear Face: in.    | Remarks                       |
| 0  | .050 (ELOX)         | 0                                    | .320            |                   |                               |
| 14,000                                   | .090                | 250                                  | .380            |                   | Dimple on Rear Face           |
| 15,000                                   | .100                |                                      |                 |                   |                               |
| 16,000                                   | .110                | 500                                  | .465            |                   |                               |
| 18,000                                   | .150                | 600                                  | .580            | .100              | Failure                       |
| 20,000                                   | .190                |                                      |                 |                   |                               |
| 22,000                                   | .240                |                                      |                 |                   | Dye penetrated to third layer |
| 23,000                                   | .270                |                                      |                 |                   |                               |
| 24,000                                   | .310                |                                      |                 |                   |                               |
| 24,200                                   | .320                |                                      |                 |                   |                               |

TABLE A-49 FLAW GROWTH RECORD

| Specimen No.: 353492-11A    Type: Laminate .004    ELOX:<br>Diffusion Line |                     |  |  |                |         |
|--|---------------------|--|--|----------------|---------|
| Sharpening Stress: 36 KSI<br>Rate: 5 CPS                                   |                     | Growth Stress: 48 KSI<br>Rate: 5 CPS             |  |                |         |
| Cycles   | Surface Length, in. | Cycles   | Front Face, in.                                      | Rear Face, in. | Remarks |
| 0<br>3150  | .110<br>.145 (1)    | 0<br>500<br>1000<br>1500<br>1750<br>2000<br>2050 | .145<br>.190<br>.245<br>.350<br>.420<br>.570<br>.660 |                | Failure |
| Note: 1. Specimen was dye marked at this time                              |                     |  |  |                |         |



TABLE A-50 FLAW GROWTH RECORD

|  |                     |                                      |                 |                  |         |
|--|---------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------|------------------|---------|
| Specimen No.: 353492-12A                       |                     | Type: LAMINATE                       |                 | ELOX: 110 X .054 |         |
| Sharpening Stress: 36 KSI<br>Rate: 5 CPS       |                     | Growth Stress: 48 KSI<br>Rate: 5 CPS |                 |                  |         |
| Cycles   | Surface Length, in. | Cycles                               | Front Face, in. | Rear Face, in.   | Remarks |
| 0  | .110                | 0                                    | .145            |                  |         |
| 3000   | .145 (1)            | 500                                  | .200            |                  |         |
|  |                     | 1000                                 | .275            |                  |         |
|  |                     | 1500                                 | .450            |                  |         |
|  |                     | 1700                                 | .600            |                  |         |
|  |                     | 1725                                 | .650            |                  | Failure |
| Note: 1. Specimen was dye marked at this point |                     |                                      |                 |                  |         |

**Appendix A (Continued)**  
**ADHESIVE BONDED SPECIMENS**

TABLE A-51 FLAW GROWTH RECORD

|  |                     |                                      |                 |                   |  |
|--|---------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------|-------------------|--|
| Specimen No.: 1                          |                     | Type: Adhesive Bond                  |                 | ELOX: .026 X .048 |  |
| Sharpening Stress: 36 KSI<br>Rate: 5 CPS |                     | Growth Stress: 40 KSI<br>Rate: 5 CPS |                 |                   |  |
| Cycles                                   | Surface Length, in. | Cycles                               | Front Face, in. | Rear Face, in.    | Remarks  |
| 0  | .048 (Elox)         | 0                                    | .080            |                   |  |
| 10,150                                   | .080                | 500                                  | .090            |                   |  |
|  |                     | 1000                                 | .100            |                   |  |
|  |                     | 1500                                 | .120            |                   |  |
|  |                     | 2000                                 | .140            |                   |  |
|  |                     | 2500                                 | .165            |                   |  |
|  |                     | 3000                                 | .190            |                   |  |
|  |                     | 3500                                 | .220            |                   |  |
|  |                     | 4000                                 | .260            |                   |  |
|  |                     | 4500                                 | .320            |                   |  |
|  |                     | 5000                                 | .340            |                   |  |
|  |                     | 5500                                 | .390            |                   |  |
|  |                     | 6000                                 | .440            |                   |  |
|  |                     | 6500                                 | .500            |                   |  |
|  |                     | 7000                                 | .560            |                   |  |
|  |                     | 7500                                 | .600            |                   |  |
|  |                     | 8000                                 | .700            |                   |  |
|  |                     | 8500                                 | .800            |                   |  |
|  |                     | 9500                                 | .940            |                   |  |
|  |                     | 10000                                | 1.080           |                   |  |
|  |                     | 10500                                | 1.240           |                   |  |
|  |                     | 11000                                | 1.430           |                   |  |
|  |                     | 11500                                | 1.680           |                   |  |
|  |                     | 12000                                | 2.080           |                   |  |
|  |                     | 12500                                | 2.500           |                   |  |
|  |                     | 16875                                |                 |                   | First Layer<br>Failed<br>Second and Third<br>Layers Failed |

TABLE A-52 FLAW GROWTH RECORD

|                                       |                     |                                      |                 |                   |  |
|---------------------------------------|---------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------|-------------------|--|
| Specimen No.: 2                       |                     | Type: ADHESIVE BONDED                |                 | ELOX: .020 X .046 |  |
| Sharpening Stress: 36 KSI<br>Rate: 05 |                     | Growth Stress: 40 KSI<br>Rate: 5 CPS |                 |                   |  |
| Cycles                                | Surface Length, in. | Cycles                               | Front Face, in. | Rear Face, in.    | Remarks  |
| 0                                     | .046 (Elox)         | 0                                    | .070            |                   |  |
| 9100                                  | .060                | 500                                  | .075            |                   |  |
| 10,600                                | .070                | 1000                                 | .080            |                   |  |
|                                       |                     | 1500                                 | .090            |                   |  |
|                                       |                     | 2000                                 | .105            |                   |  |
|                                       |                     | 2500                                 | .120            |                   |  |
|                                       |                     | 3000                                 | .135            |                   |  |
|                                       |                     | 3500                                 | .150            |                   |  |
|                                       |                     | 4000                                 | .175            |                   |  |
|                                       |                     | 4500                                 | .200            |                   |  |
|                                       |                     | 5000                                 | .230            |                   |  |
|                                       |                     | 5500                                 | .260            |                   |  |
|                                       |                     | 6000                                 | .300            |                   |  |
|                                       |                     | 6500                                 | .350            |                   |  |
|                                       |                     | 7000                                 | .400            |                   |  |
|                                       |                     | 7500                                 | .460            |                   |  |
|                                       |                     | 8000                                 | .520            |                   |  |
|                                       |                     | 8500                                 | .600            |                   |  |
|                                       |                     | 9000                                 | .680            |                   |  |
|                                       |                     | 9500                                 | .750            |                   |  |
|                                       |                     | 10000                                | .900            |                   |  |
|                                       |                     | 10500                                | 1.020           |                   |  |
|                                       |                     | 11000                                | 1.200           |                   |  |
|                                       |                     | 11500                                | 1.380           |                   |  |
|                                       |                     | 12000                                | 1.680           |                   |  |
|                                       |                     | 12500                                | 2.440           |                   |  |
|                                       |                     | 12600                                | 2.500           |                   |  |
|                                       |                     | 18830                                |                 |                   | First Layer Failed<br>Second and Third Layers Failed |

TABLE A-53 FLAW GROWTH RECORD

| Specimen No.: 3                          |                     | Type: Adhesive Bonded ELOX: .018 X .047 |                 |                |   |
|--|---------------------|---|-----------------|----------------|---|
| Sharpening Stress: 36 KSI<br>Rate: 5 CPS |                     | Growth Stress: 40 KSI<br>Rate: 5 CPS    |                 |                |   |
| Cycles                                   | Surface Length, in. | Cycles                                  | Front Face, in. | Rear Face, in. | Remarks   |
| 0  | .047 (Elox)         | 0                                       | .070            |                |   |
| 11,000                                   | .060                | 500                                     | .075            |                |   |
| 11,500                                   | .070                | 1000                                    | .080            |                |   |
|  |                     | 1500                                    | .090            |                |   |
|  |                     | 2000                                    | .100            |                |   |
|  |                     | 2500                                    | .110            |                |   |
|  |                     | 3000                                    | .130            |                |   |
|  |                     | 3500                                    | .140            |                |   |
|  |                     | 4000                                    | .160            |                |   |
|  |                     | 4500                                    | .180            |                |   |
|  |                     | 5000                                    | .200            |                |   |
|  |                     | 5500                                    | .230            |                |   |
|  |                     | 6000                                    | .270            |                |   |
|  |                     | 6500                                    | .300            |                |   |
|  |                     | 7000                                    | .340            |                |   |
|  |                     | 7500                                    | .380            |                |   |
|  |                     | 8000                                    | .410            |                |   |
|  |                     | 8500                                    | .460            |                |   |
|  |                     | 9000                                    | .500            |                |   |
|  |                     | 9500                                    | .560            |                |   |
|  |                     | 10000                                   | .620            |                |   |
|  |                     | 10500                                   | .720            |                |   |
|  |                     | 11000                                   | .800            |                |   |
|  |                     | 11500                                   | .900            |                |   |
|  |                     | 12000                                   | 1.010           |                |   |
|  |                     | 12500                                   | 1.120           |                |   |
|  |                     | 13000                                   | 1.280           |                |   |
|  |                     | 13,500                                  | 1.480           |                |   |
|  |                     | 14,000                                  | 1.770           |                |   |
|  |                     | 14,500                                  | 2.360           |                |   |
|  |                     | 14,550                                  | 2.500           |                |   |
|  |                     | 16,630                                  |                 |                | First Layer Failed<br>Second and Third<br>Layers Failed |

TABLE A-54 FLAW GROWTH RECORD

|   |                     |                                       |                 |                   |  |
|---|---------------------|---------------------------------------|-----------------|-------------------|--|
| Specimen No.: 4                           |                     | Type: ADHESIVE BOND                   |                 | ELOX: .024 X .050 |  |
| Sharpening Stress: 36 KSI<br>Rate: '5 CPS |                     | Growth Stress: 48 KSI<br>Rate: '5 CPS |                 |                   |  |
| Cycles                                    | Surface Length, in. | Cycles                                | Front Face, in. | Rear Face, in.    | Remarks  |
| 0   | .050 (Elox)         | 0                                     | .070            |                   |  |
| 8250                                      | .070                | 500                                   | .090            |                   |  |
|   |                     | 1000                                  | .110            |                   |  |
|   |                     | 1500                                  | .140            |                   |  |
|   |                     | 2000                                  | .185            |                   |  |
|   |                     | 2500                                  | .240            |                   |  |
|   |                     | 3000                                  | .310            |                   |  |
|   |                     | 3500                                  | .420            |                   |  |
|   |                     | 4000                                  | .540            |                   |  |
|   |                     | 4500                                  | .760            |                   |  |
|   |                     | 5000                                  | 1.170           |                   |  |
|   |                     | 5100                                  | 2.500           |                   |  |
|   |                     | 5135                                  |                 |                   | First Layer Failed<br>Second and Third Layers Failed |

TABLE A-55 FLAW GROWTH RECORD

|  |                     |                                      |                 |                   |                                |
|--|---------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------|-------------------|--------------------------------|
| Specimen No.: 5                          |                     | Type: ADHESIVE BOND                  |                 | ELOX: .026 X .046 |                                |
| Sharpening Stress: 36 KSI<br>Rate: 5 CPS |                     | Growth Stress: 48 KSI<br>Rate: 5 CPS |                 |                   |                                |
| Cycles                                   | Surface Length, in. | Cycles                               | Front Face, in. | Rear Face, in.    | Remarks                        |
| 0  | .046 (Elox)         | 0                                    | .080            |                   |                                |
| 9000                                     | .080                | 500                                  | .100            |                   |                                |
|  |                     | 1000                                 | .130            |                   |                                |
|  |                     | 1500                                 | .160            |                   |                                |
|  |                     | 2000                                 | .230            |                   |                                |
|  |                     | 2500                                 | .300            |                   |                                |
|  |                     | 3000                                 | .400            |                   |                                |
|  |                     | 3500                                 | .560            |                   |                                |
|  |                     | 3750                                 | .630            |                   |                                |
|  |                     | 4000                                 | .720            |                   |                                |
|  |                     | 4250                                 | .840            |                   |                                |
|  |                     | 4500                                 | 1.010           |                   |                                |
|  |                     | 4750                                 | 1.310           |                   |                                |
|  |                     | 4880                                 | 2.500           |                   | First Layer Failed             |
|  |                     | 4980                                 |                 |                   | Second and Third Layers Failed |

TABLE A-56 FLAW GROWTH RECORD (Continued)

|  |                     |                                      |                 |                   |                                |
|--|---------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------|-------------------|--------------------------------|
| Specimen No.: 6                          |                     | Type: ADHESIVE BOND                  |                 | ELOX: .027 X .045 |                                |
| Sharpening Stress: 36 KSI<br>Rate: 5 CPS |                     | Growth Stress: 48 KSI<br>Rate: 5 CPS |                 |                   |                                |
| Cycles                                   | Surface Length, in. | Cycles                               | Front Face, in. | Rear Face, in.    | Remarks                        |
| 0  | .045 (Elox)         | 0                                    | .080            |                   |                                |
| 3000                                     | .080                | 500                                  | .100            |                   |                                |
|  |                     | 1000                                 | .140            |                   |                                |
|  |                     | 1500                                 | .180            |                   |                                |
|  |                     | 2000                                 | .240            |                   |                                |
|  |                     | 2500                                 | .300            |                   |                                |
|  |                     | 3000                                 | .390            |                   |                                |
|  |                     | 3500                                 | .520            |                   |                                |
|  |                     | 3750                                 | .590            |                   |                                |
|  |                     | 4000                                 | .630            |                   |                                |
|  |                     | 4500                                 | 1.340           |                   |                                |
|  |                     | 4555                                 | 2.500           |                   | First Layer Failed             |
|  |                     | 4575                                 |                 |                   | Second and Third Layers Failed |



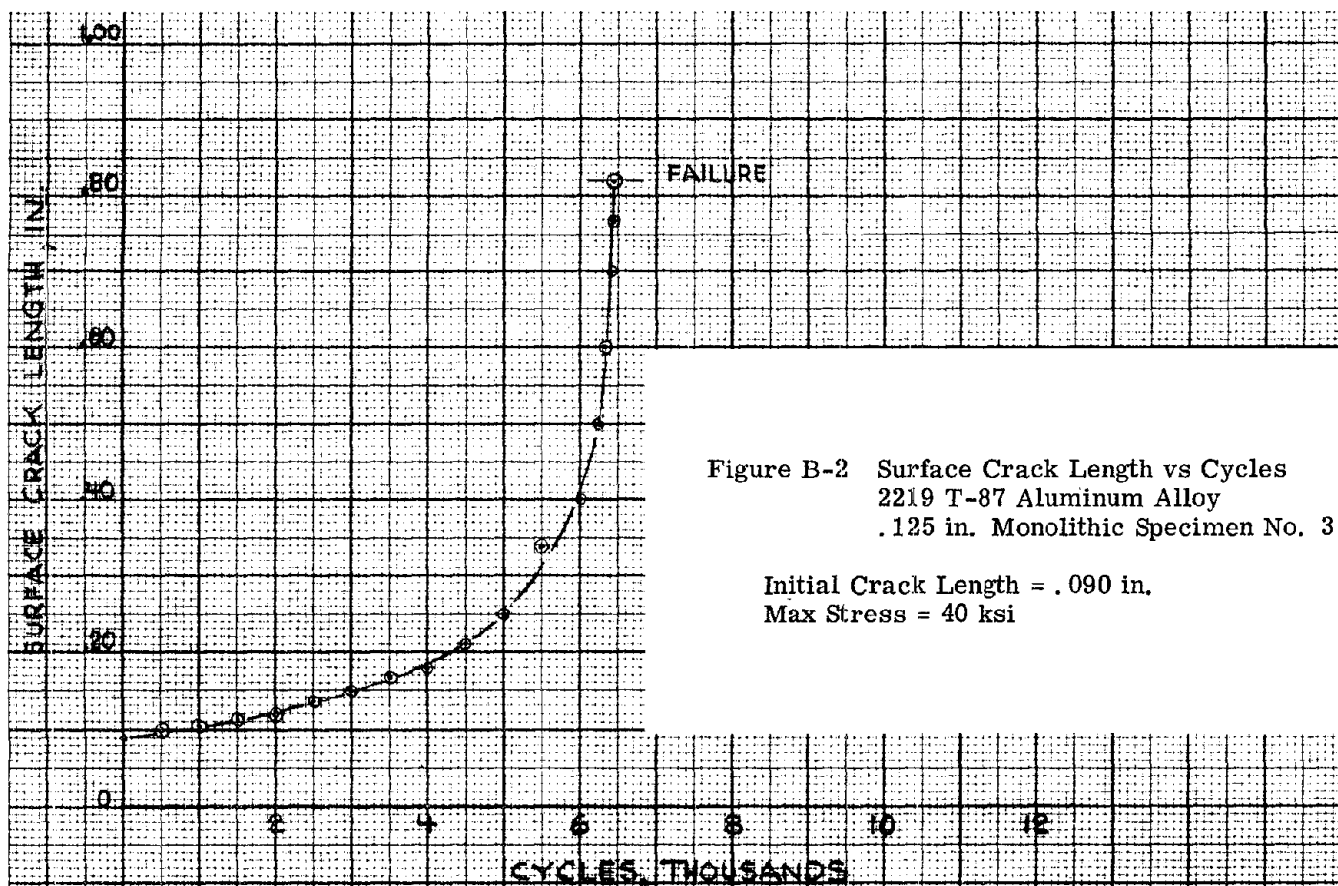
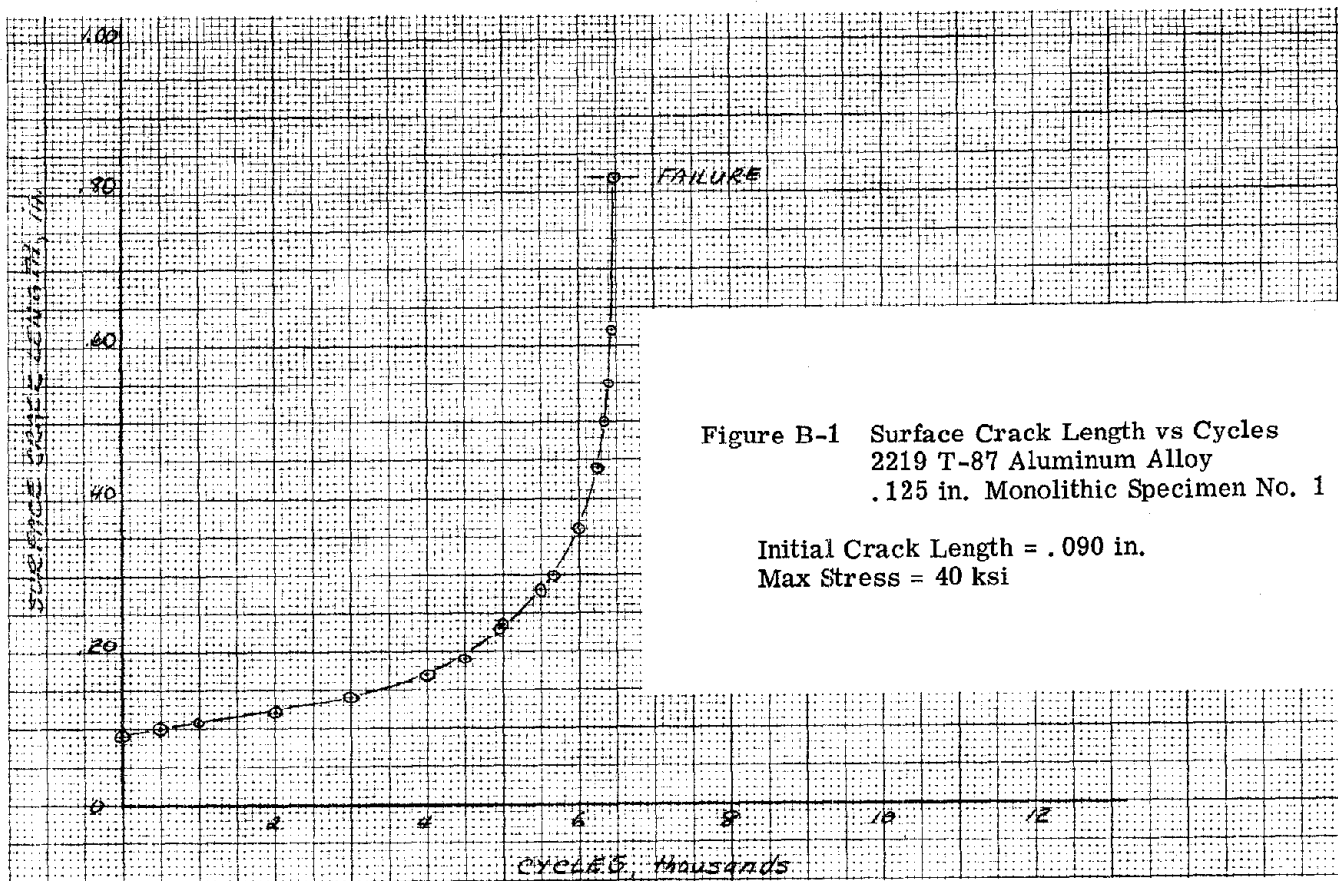
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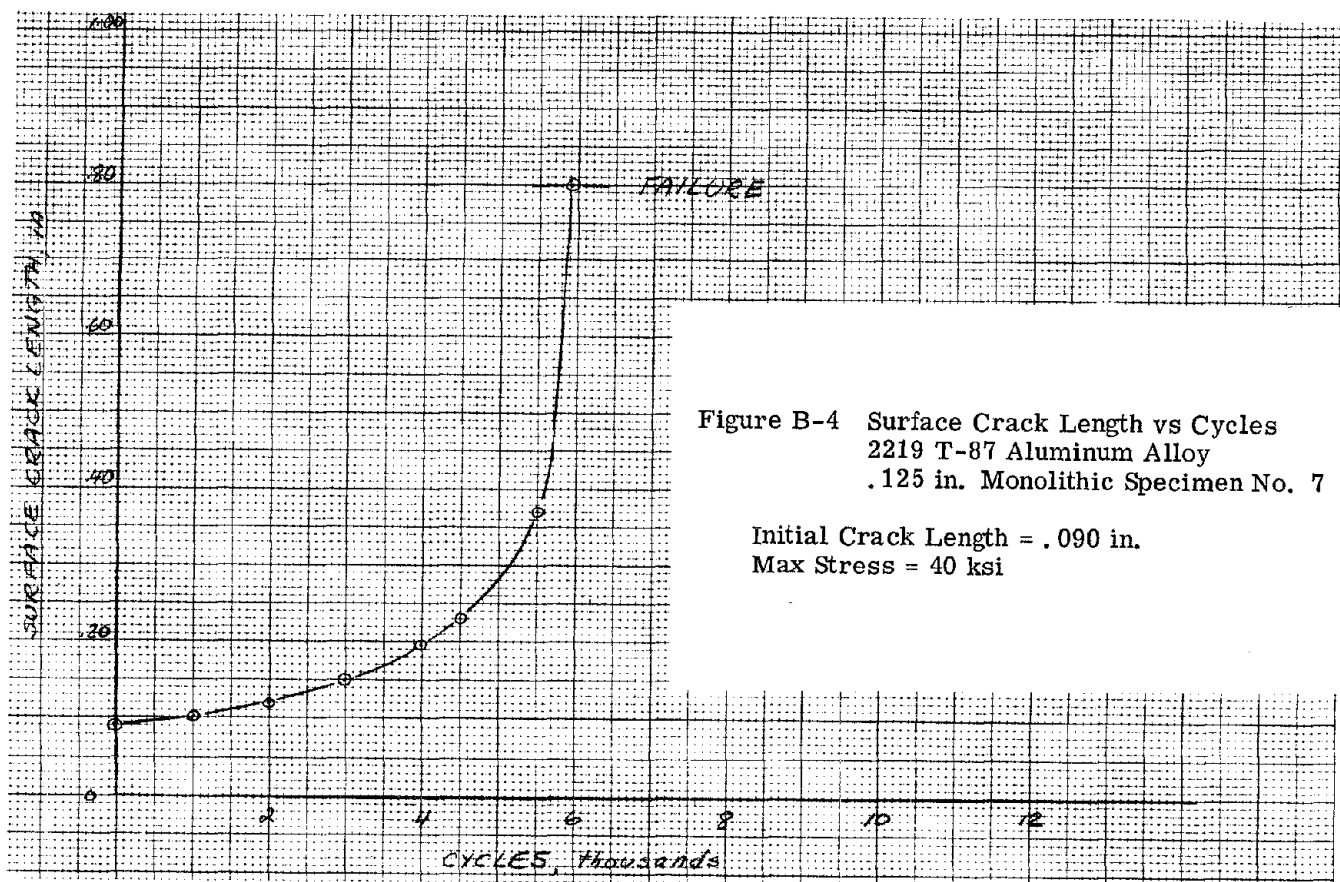
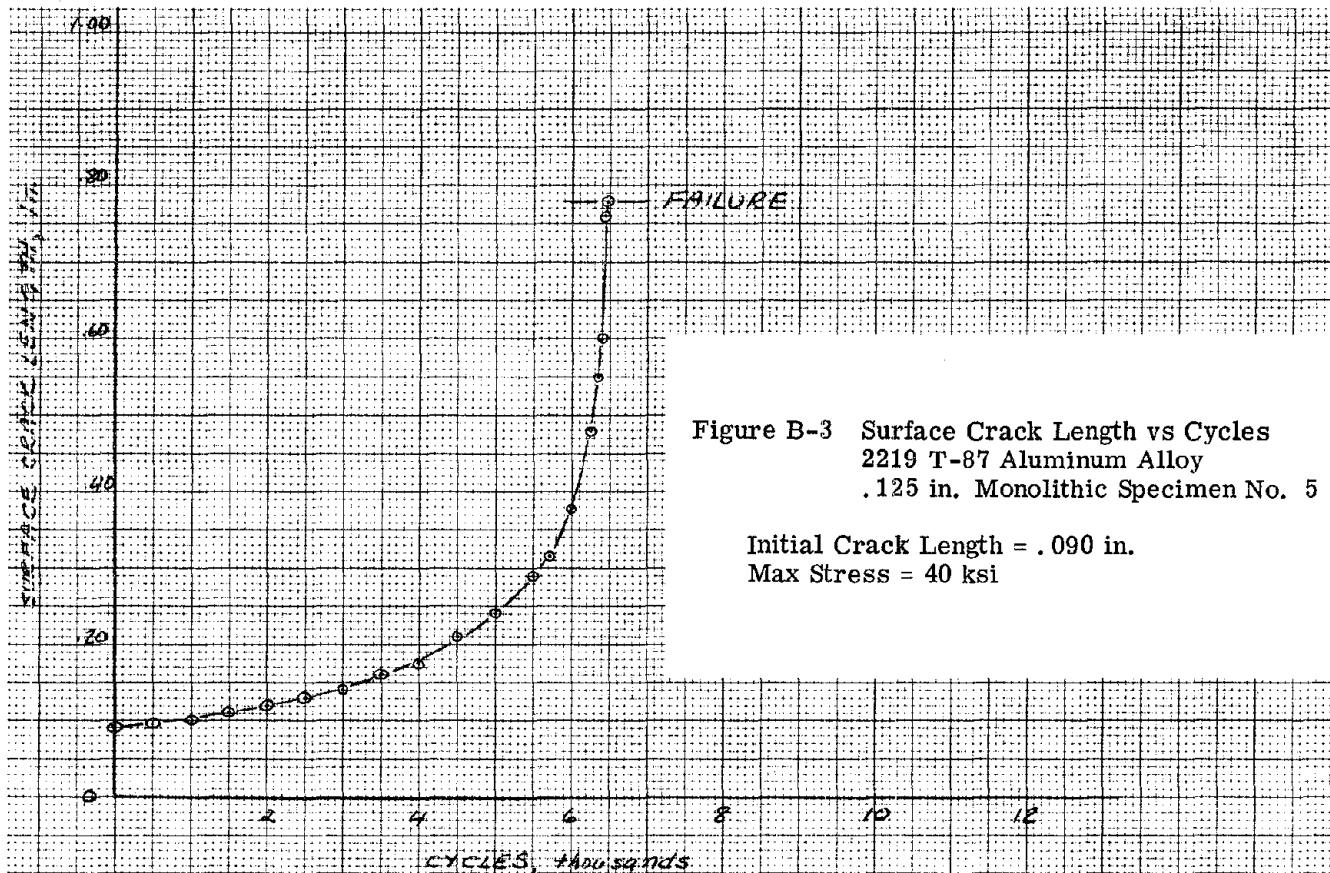
### CURVES OF SPECIMEN SURFACE FLAW WIDTH VERSUS CYCLES

Surface flaw width versus cycles curves for each program test specimen are presented in this Appendix. The specimen curves are in the same order as the tabular records of Appendix A, that is, Phase I, Phase II, Phase III and Adhesive Bonded.

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PHASE I SPECIMENS





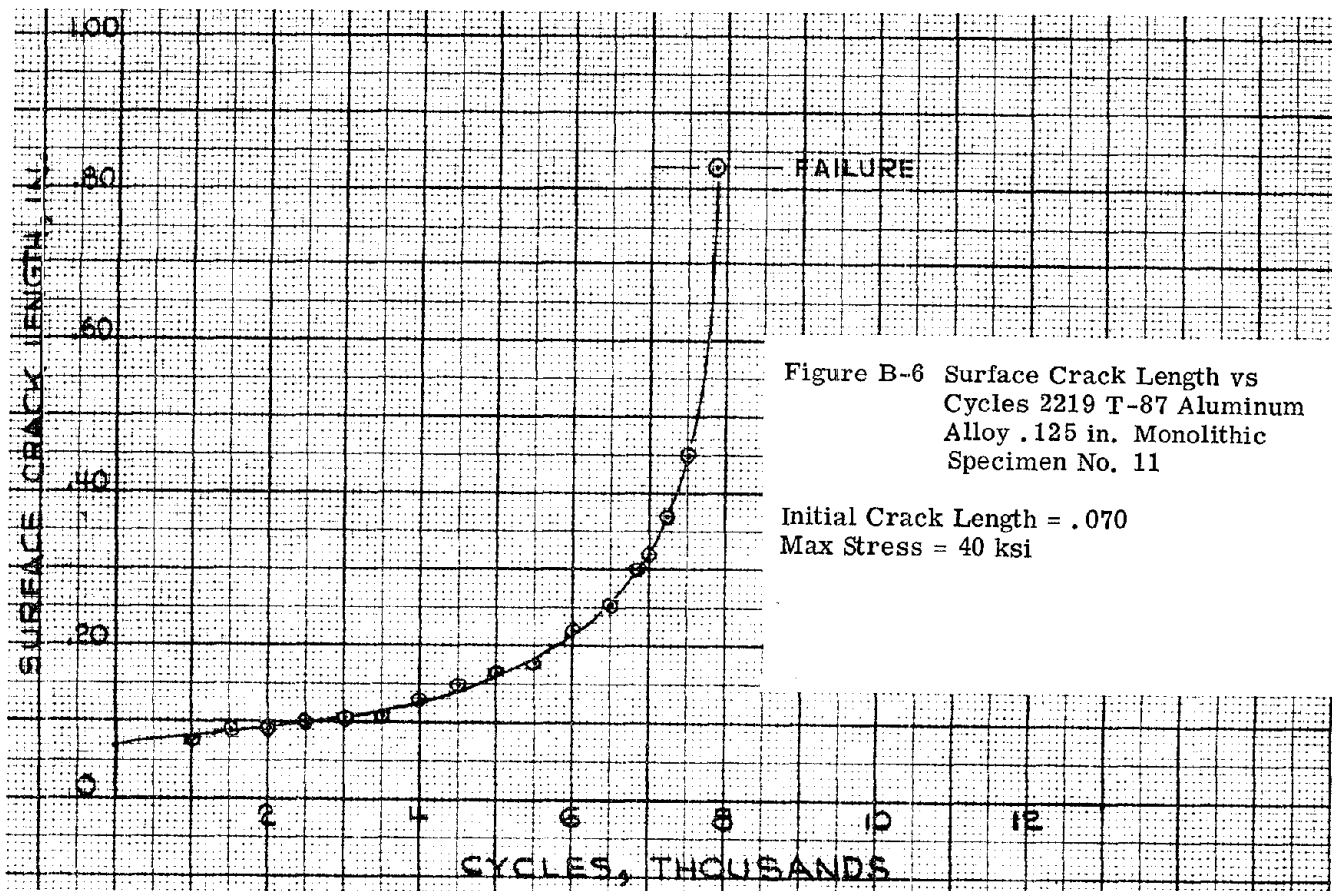
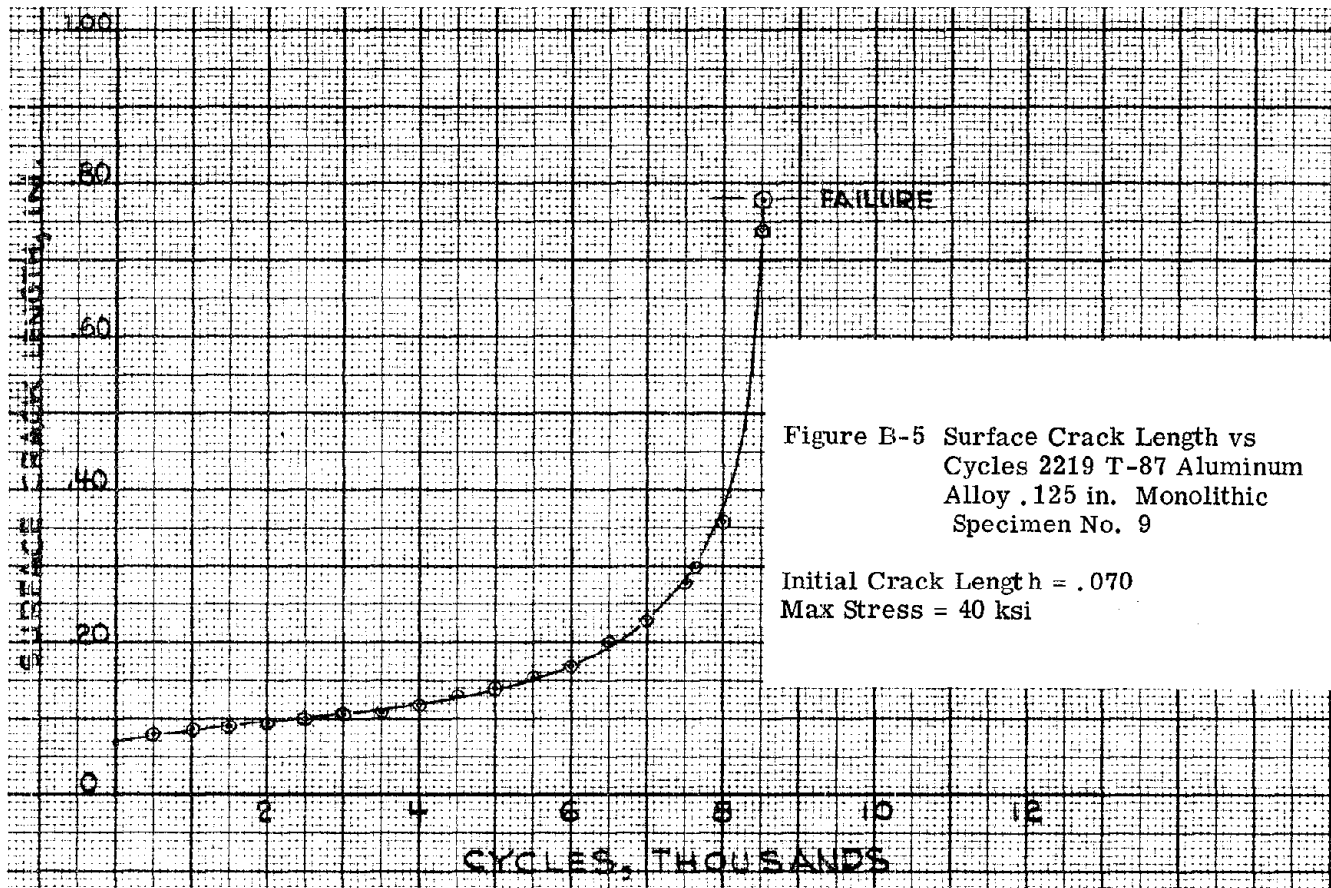


Figure B-7 Surface Crack Length vs Cycles  
 2219 T-87 Aluminum Alloy  
 .004 in. Laminate Specimen  
 No. 353492-1

Initial Crack Length = .070  
 Max Stress = 40 ksi

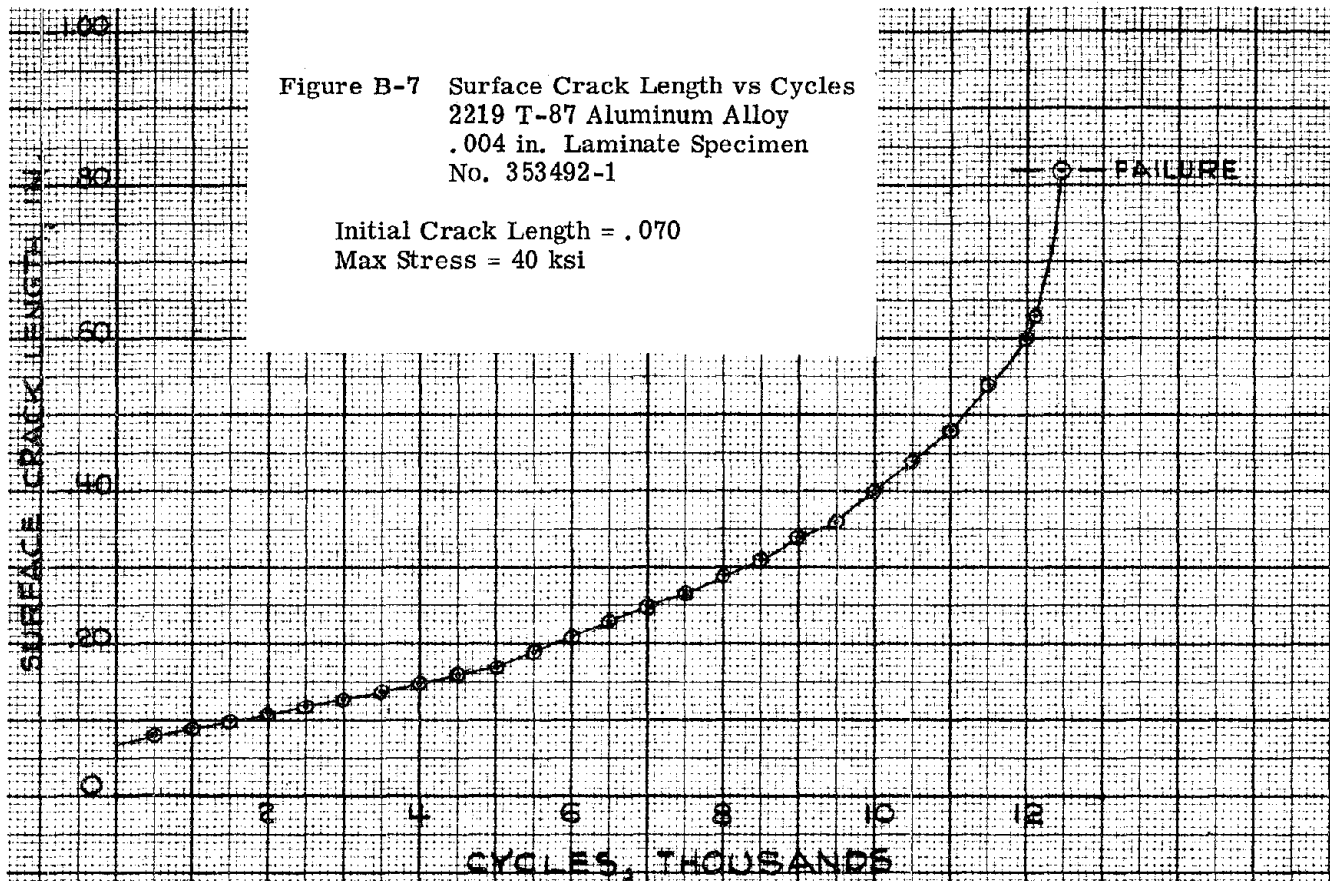


Figure B-8 Surface Crack Length vs Cycles  
 2219-T87/1100 Aluminum Laminate  
 .004 Nominal Interlayer No. 353492-2  
 $t = .131$  in.

Initial Crack Length = .070 in.  
 Max Stress = 40 ksi

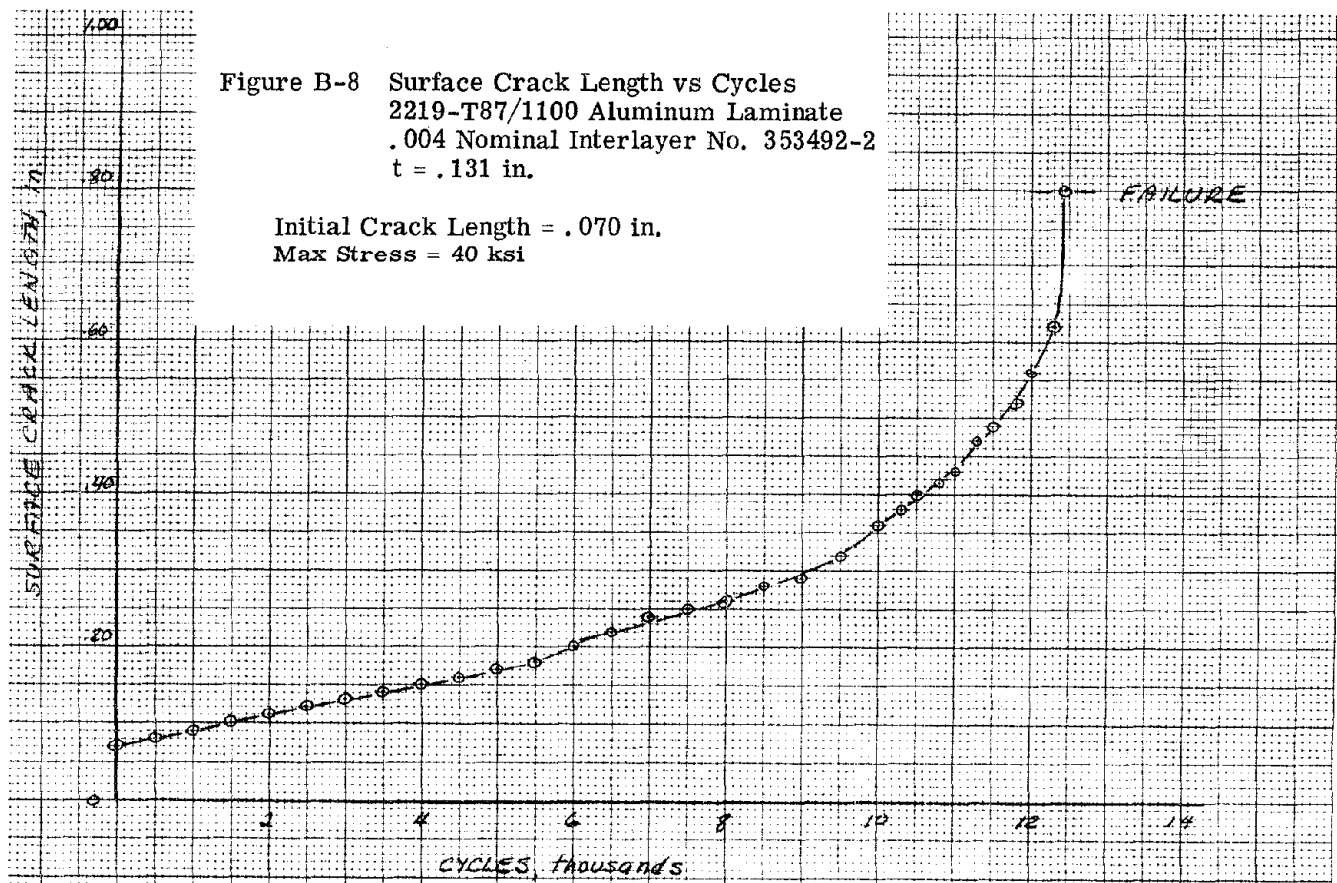


Figure B-9 Surface Crack Length vs Cycles  
 2219 T-87 Aluminum Alloy  
 .004 in. Laminate Specimen  
 No. 353492-3

Initial Crack Length = .070  
 Max Stress = 40 ksi

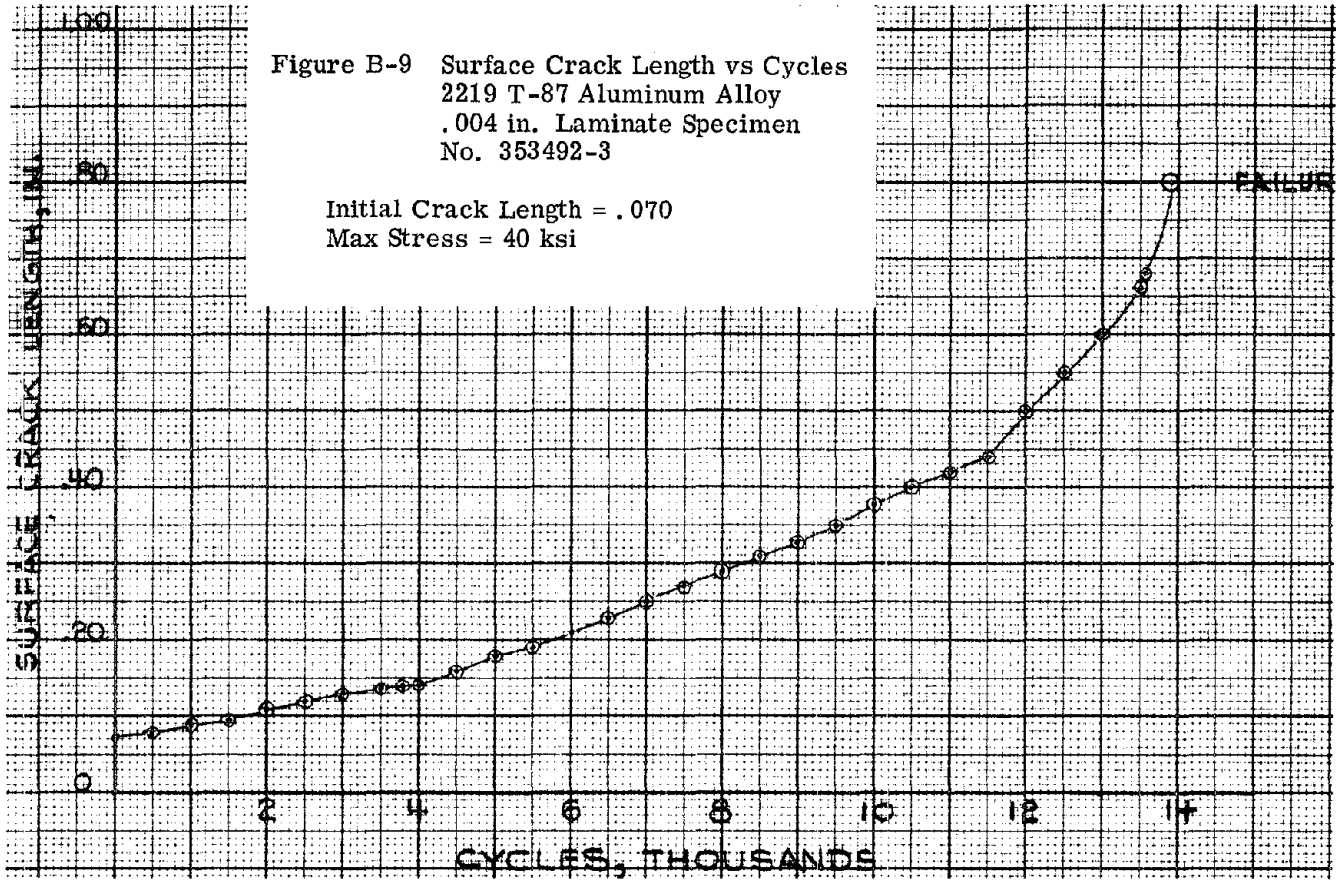
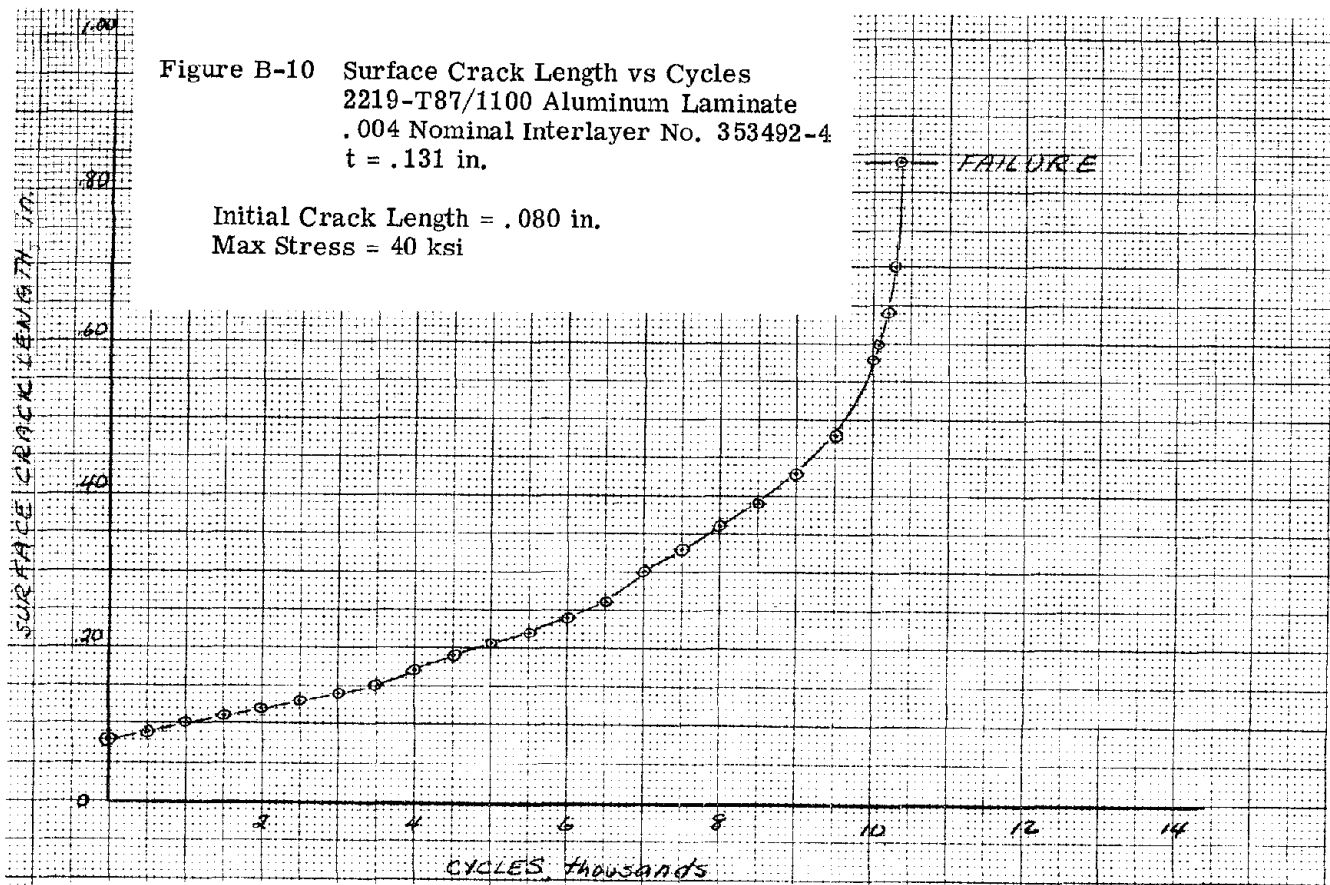
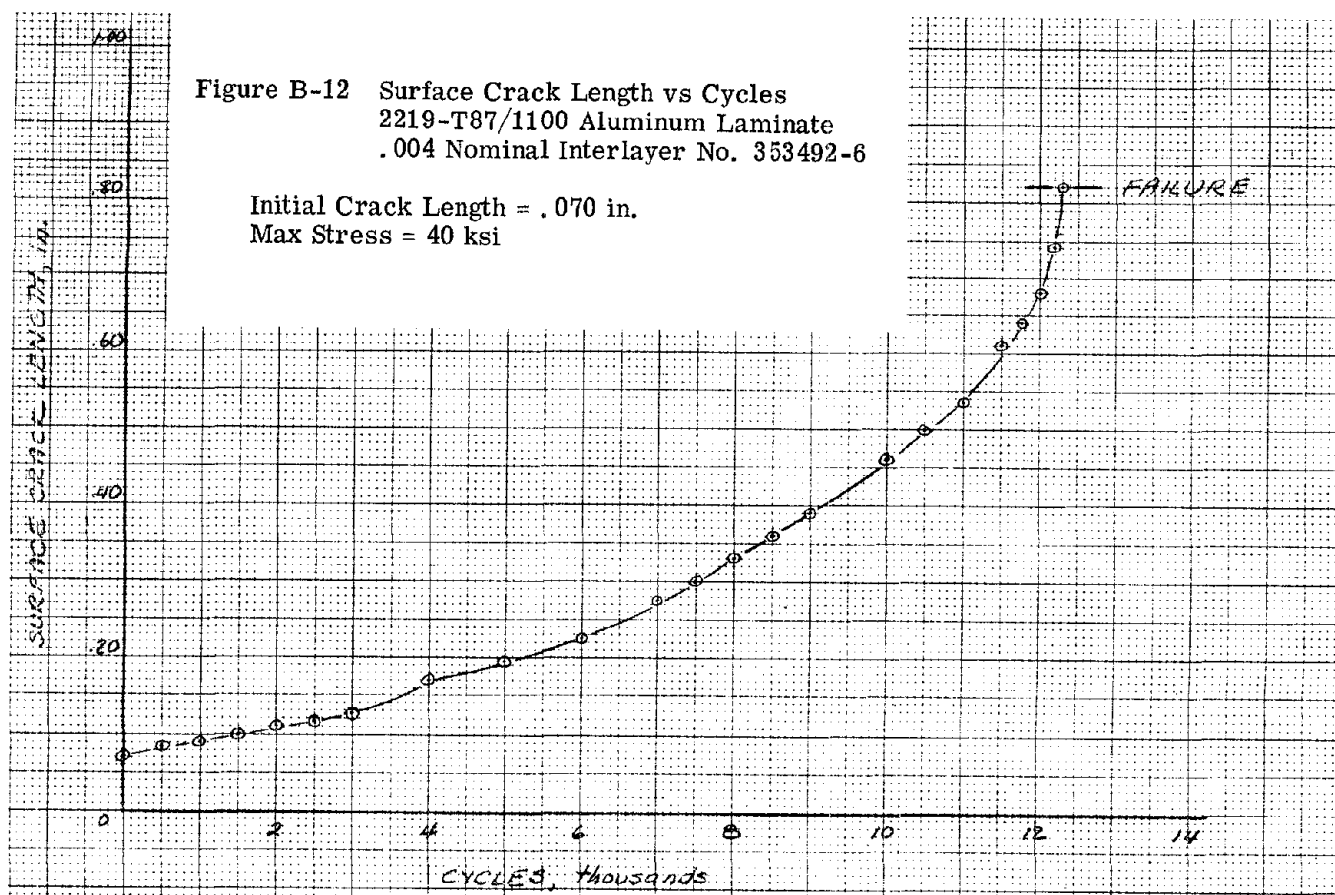
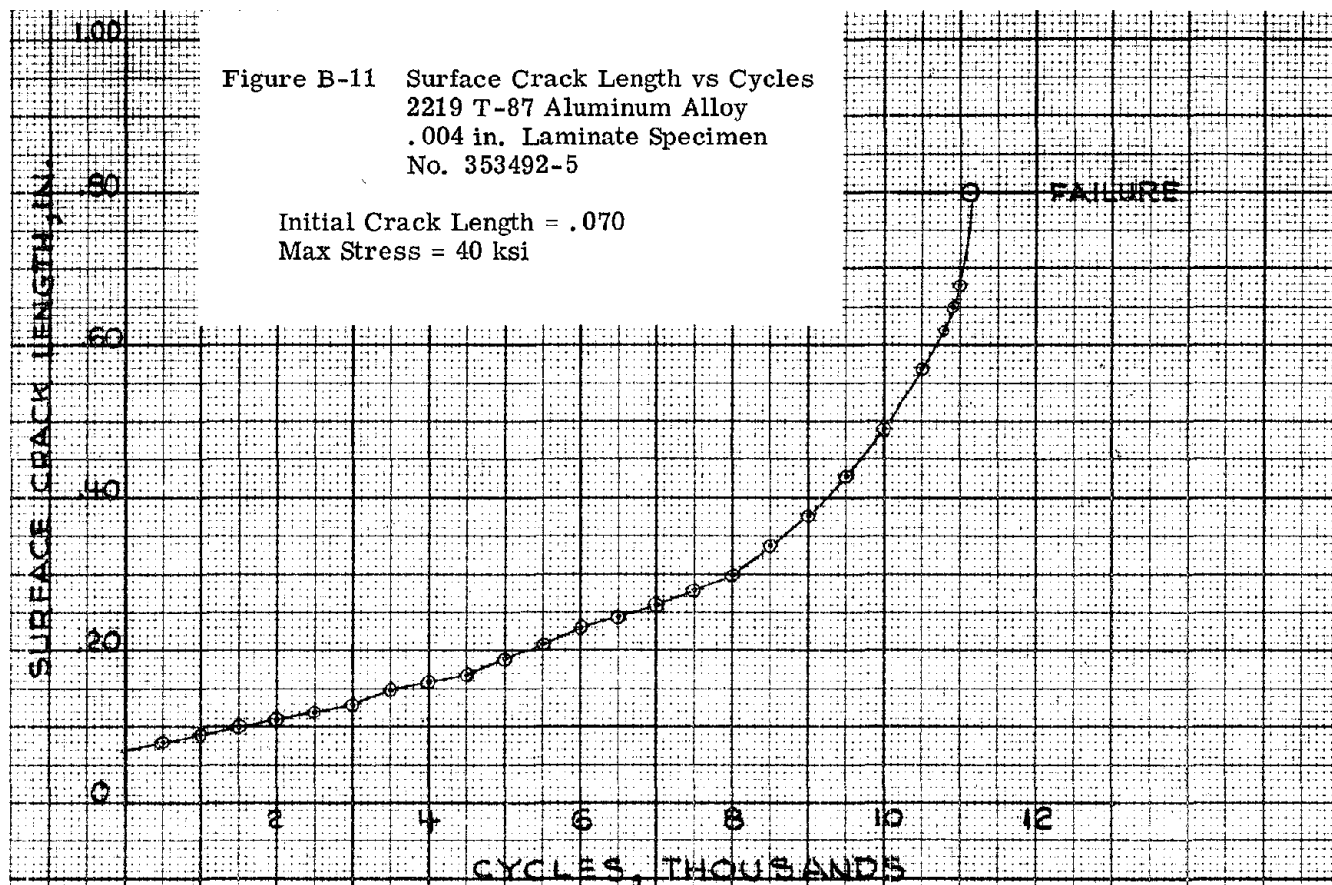


Figure B-10 Surface Crack Length vs Cycles  
 2219-T87/1100 Aluminum Laminate  
 .004 Nominal Interlayer No. 353492-4  
 t = .131 in.

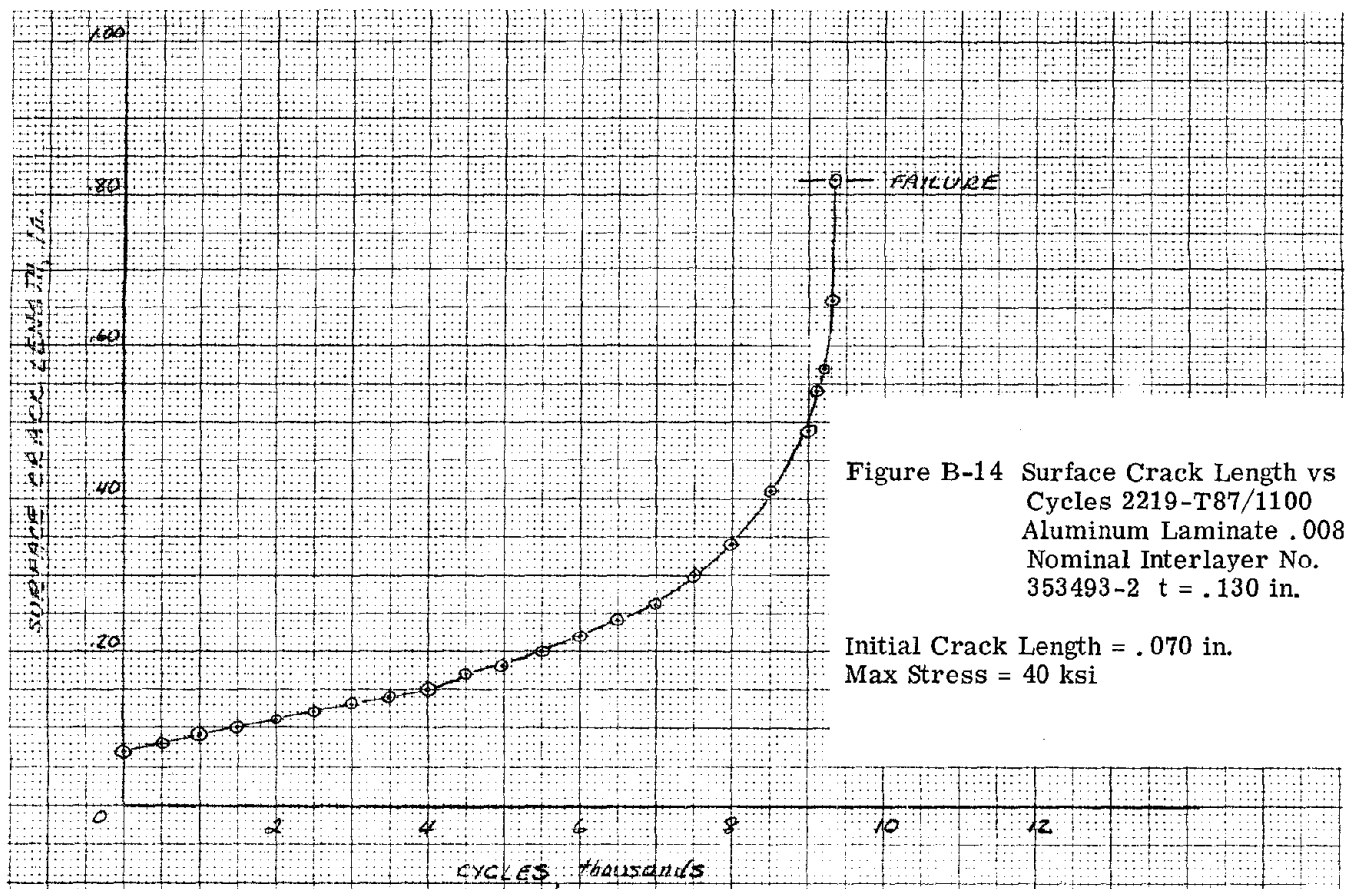
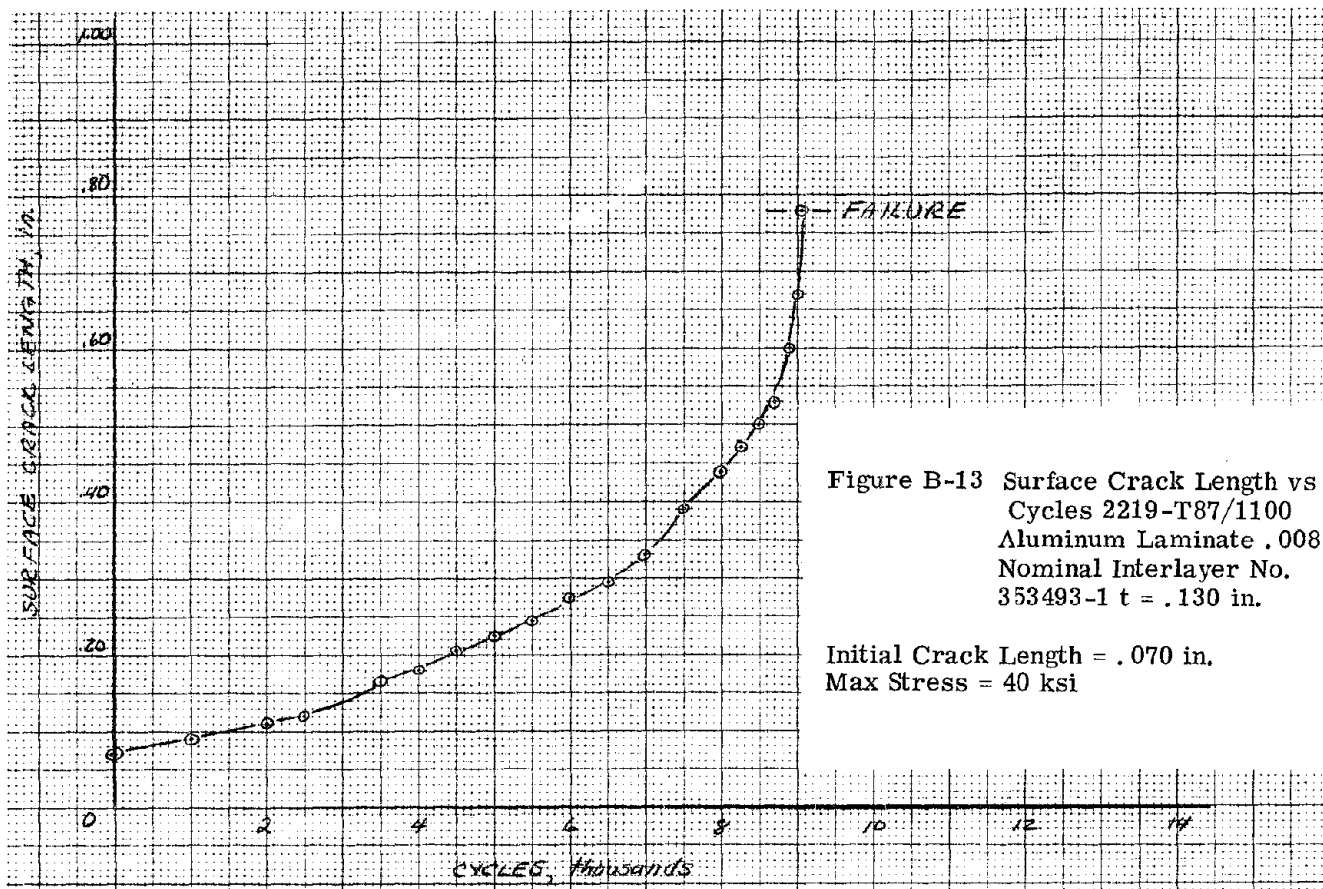
Initial Crack Length = .080 in.  
 Max Stress = 40 ksi

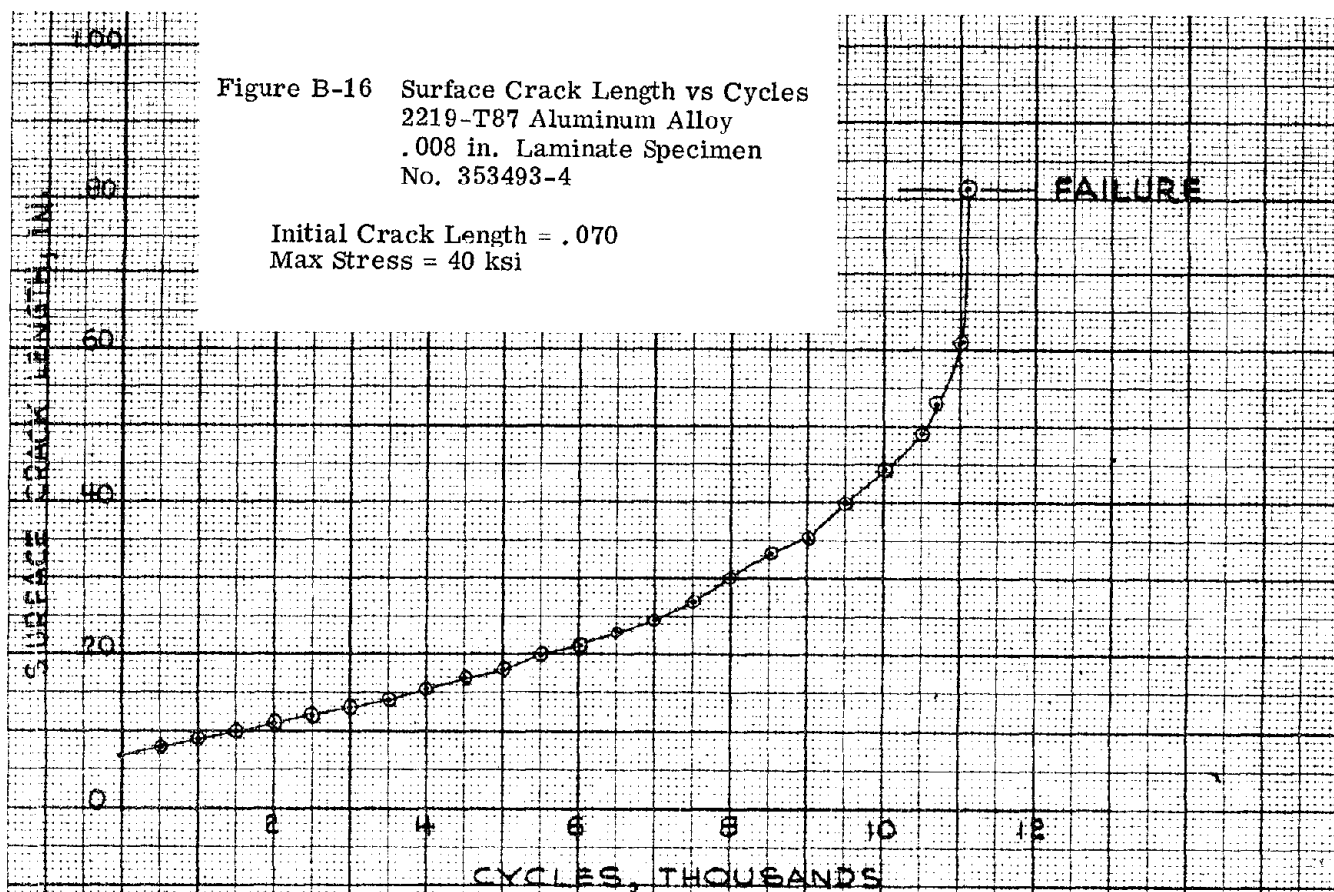
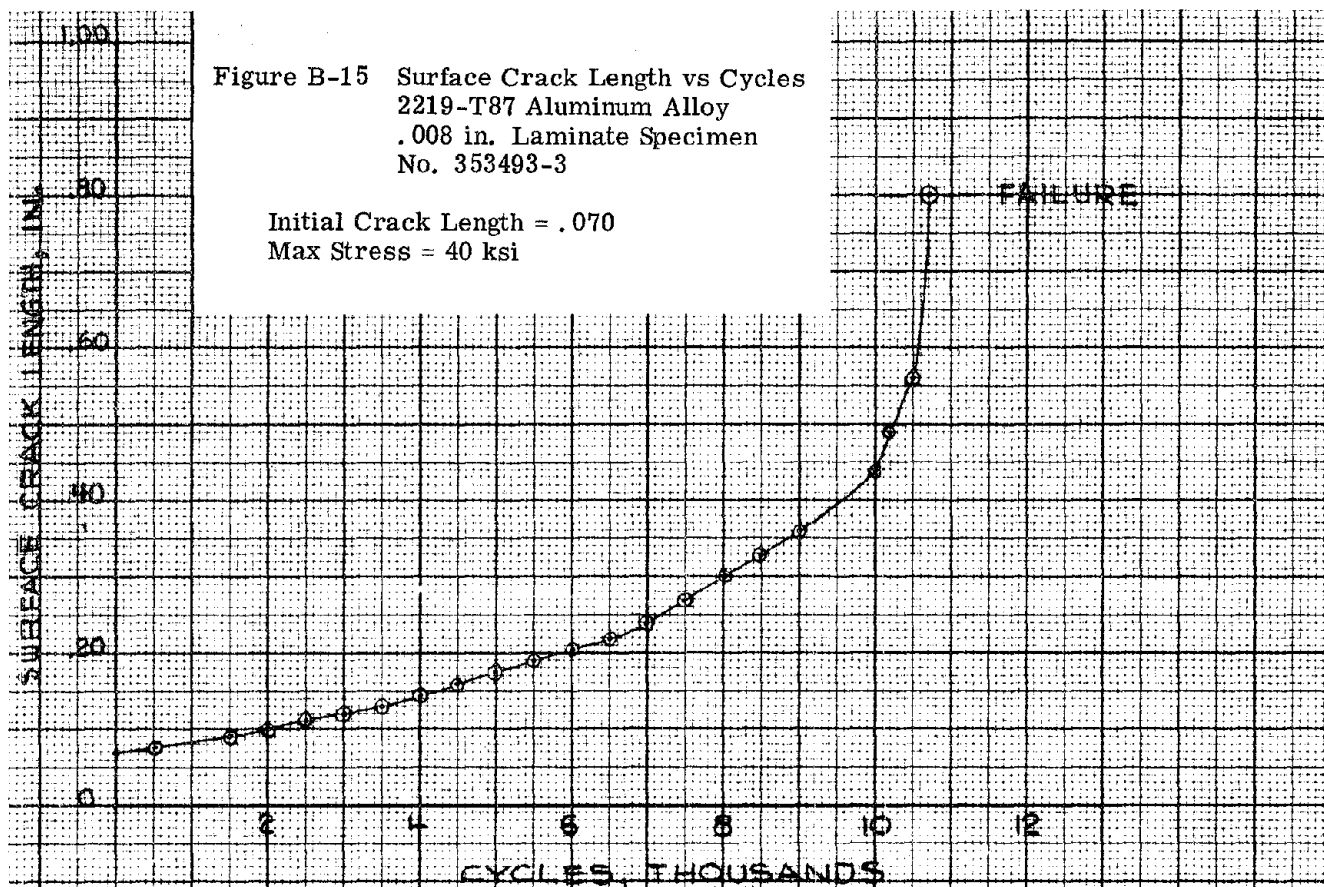


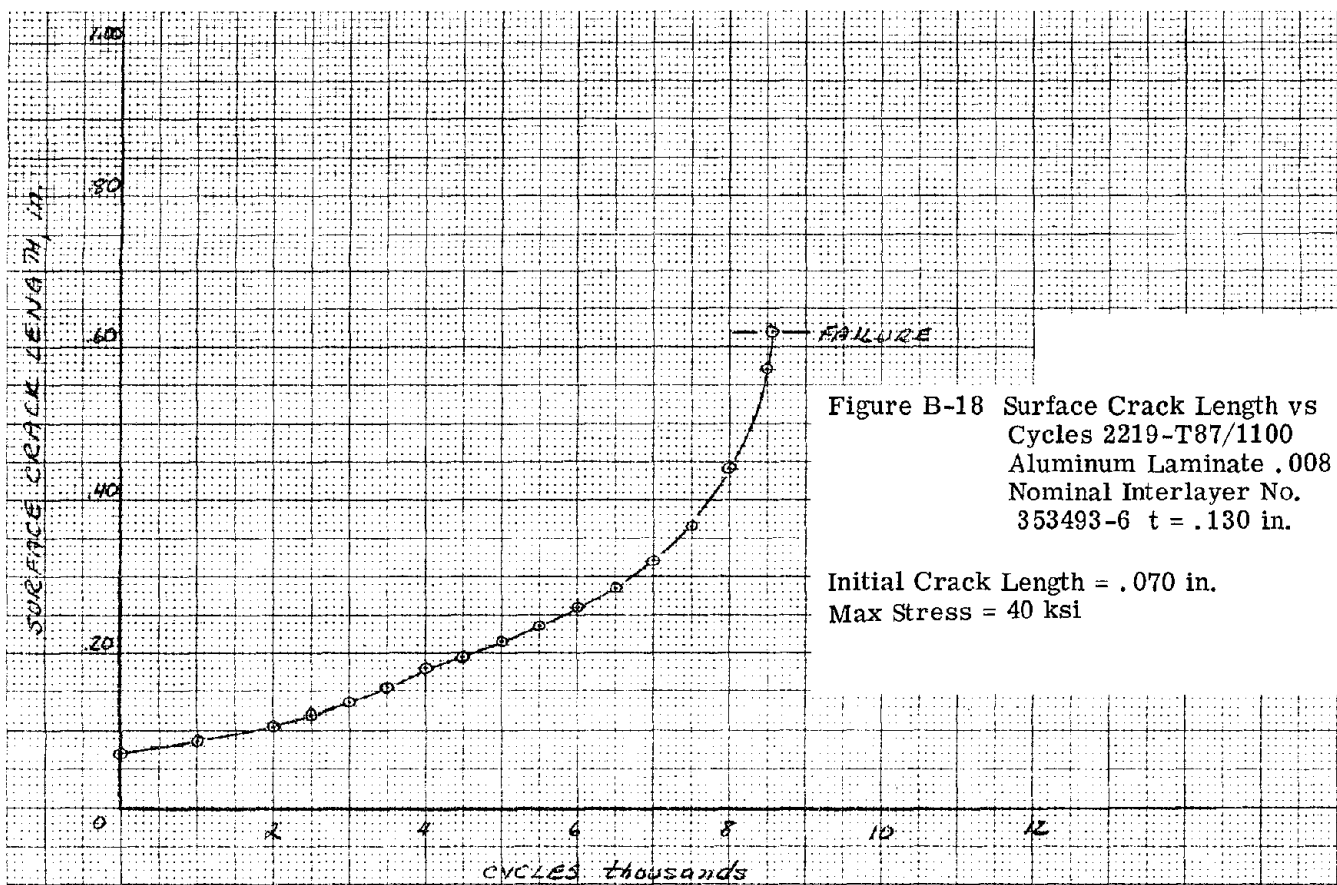
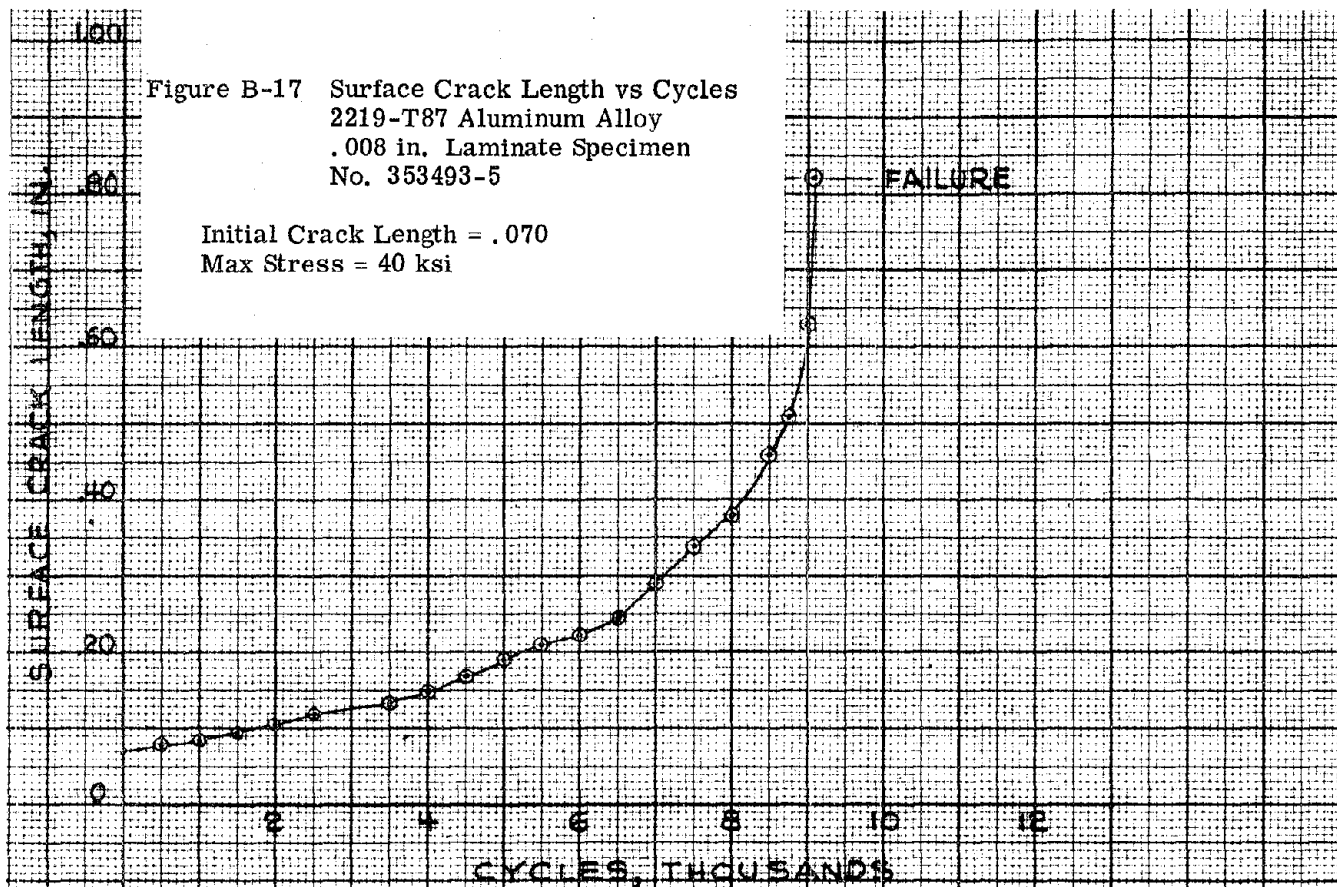


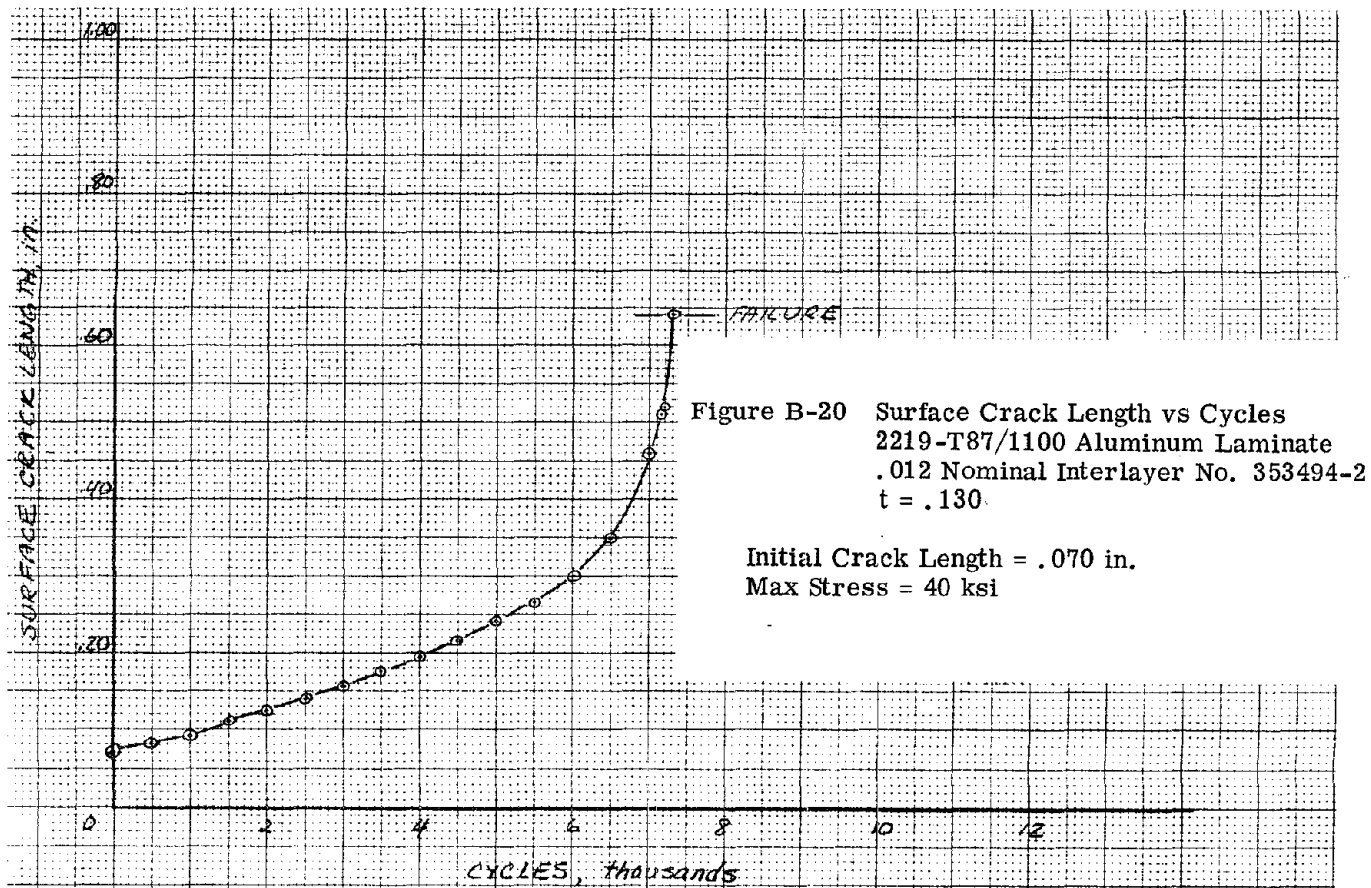
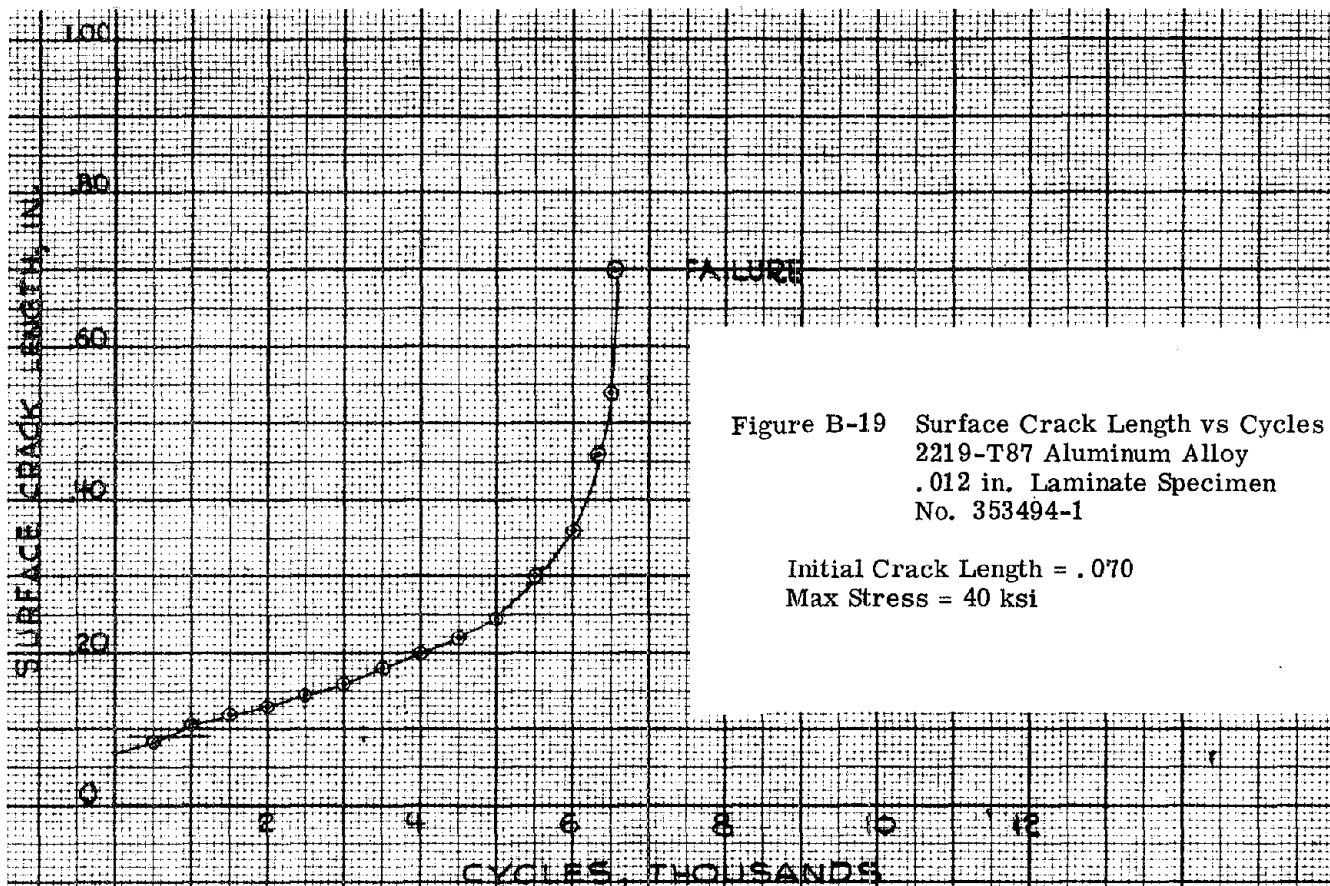


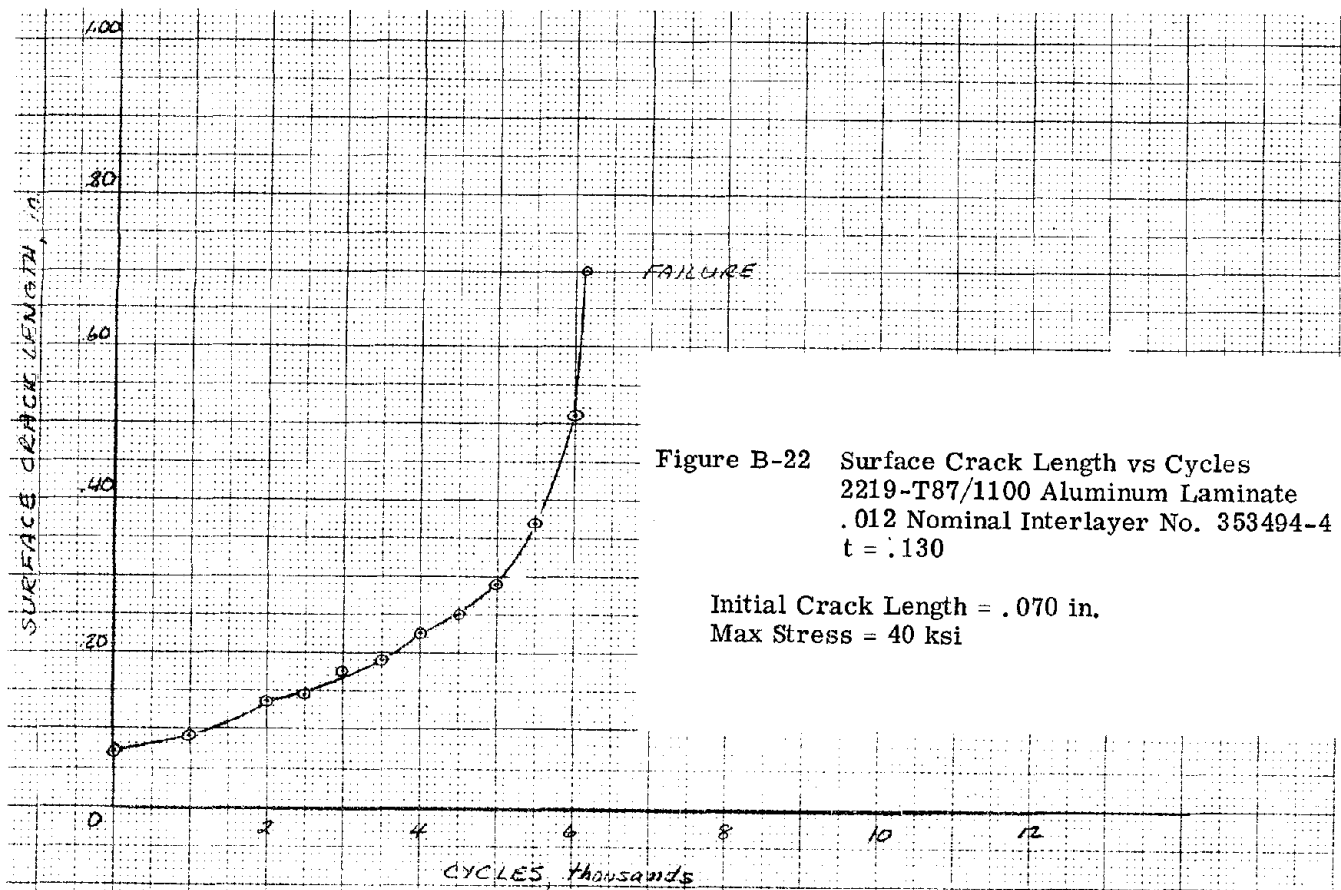
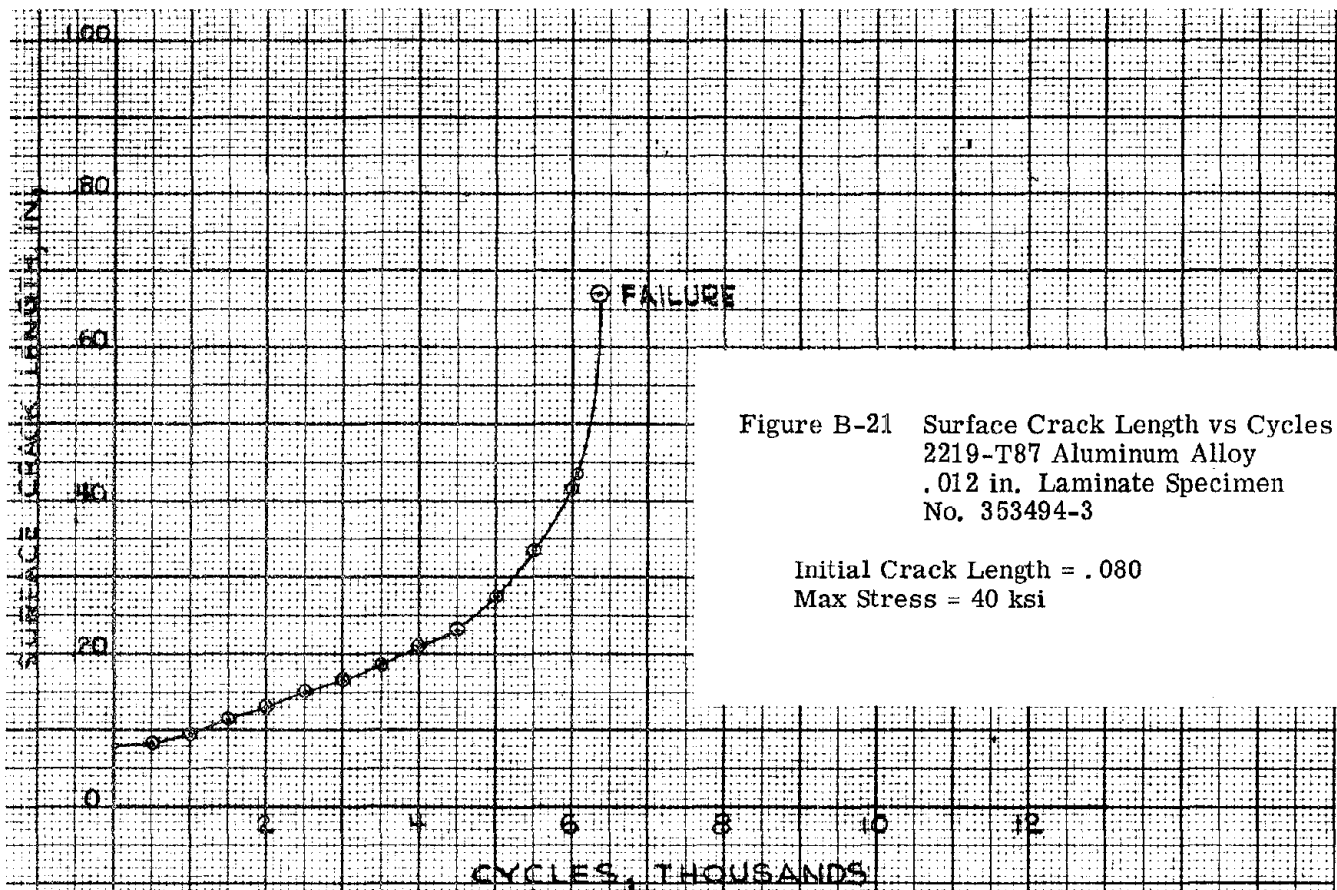


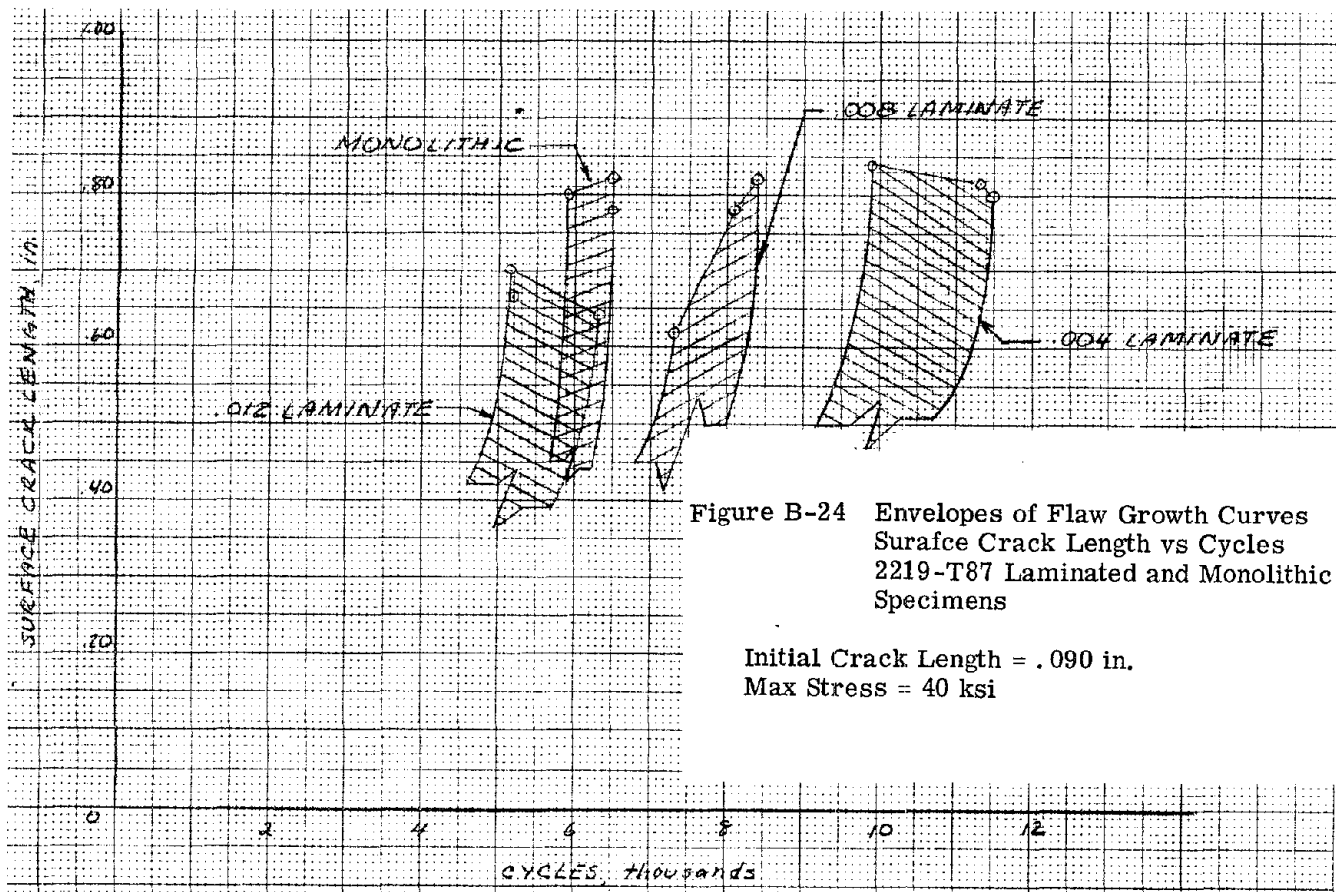
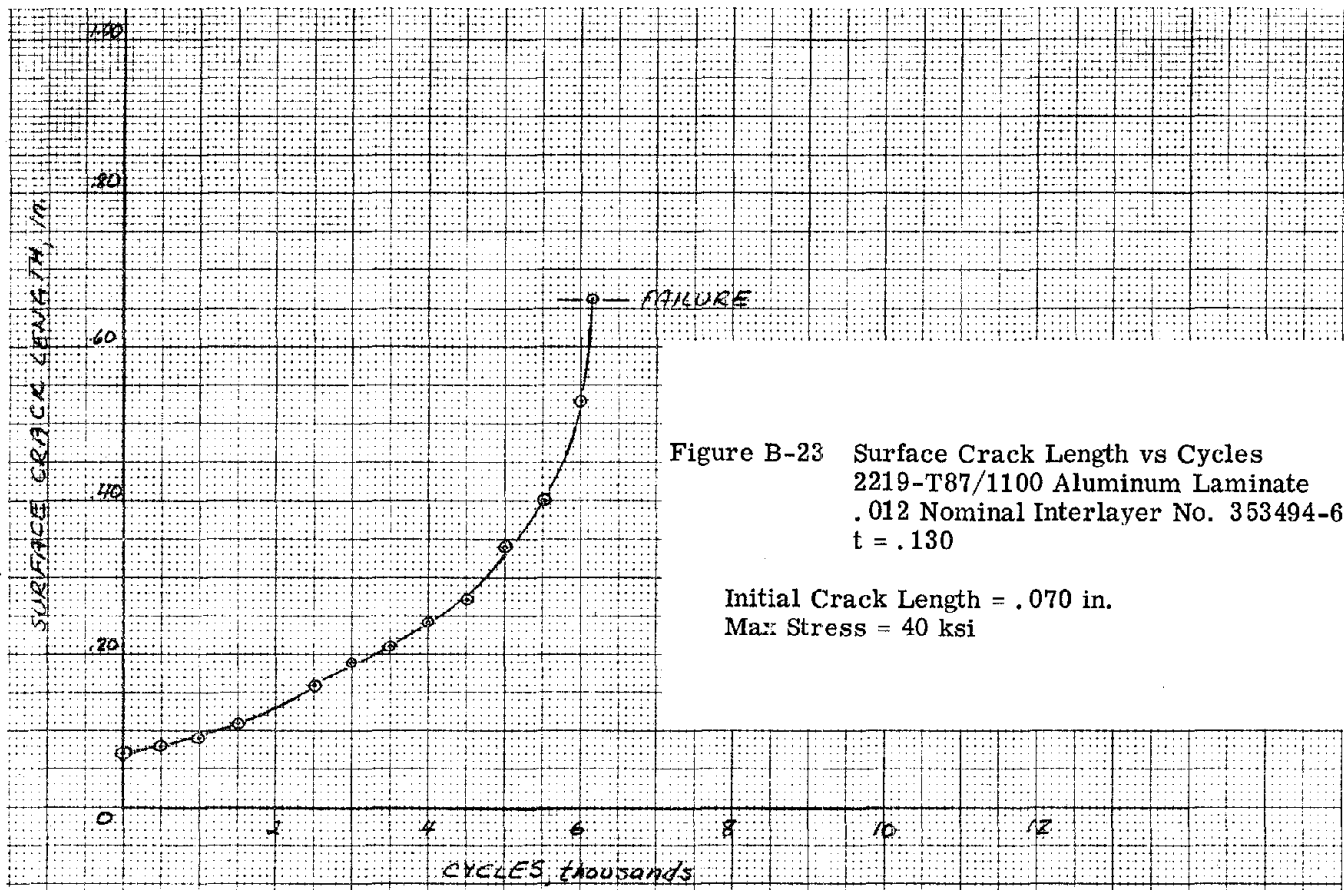








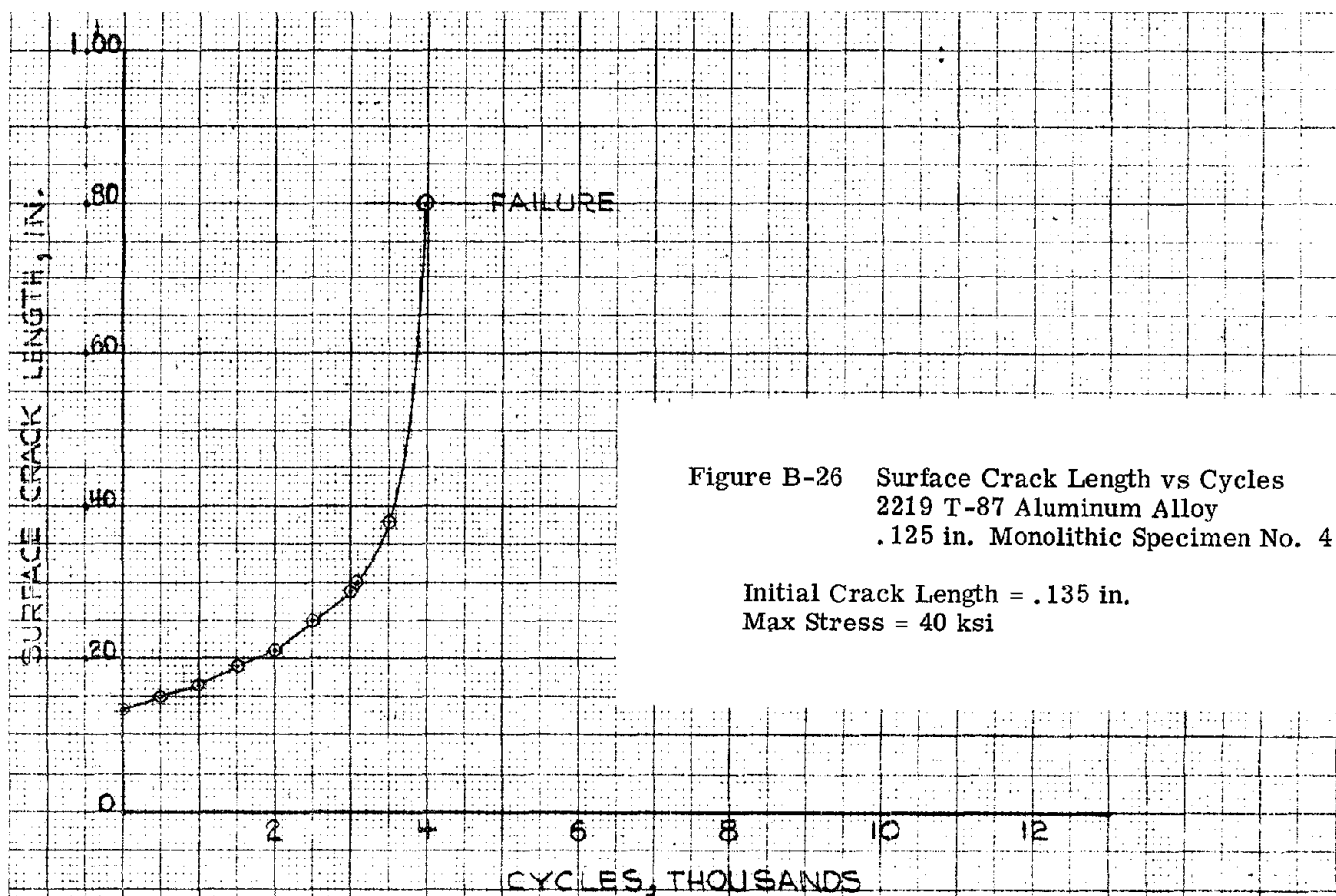
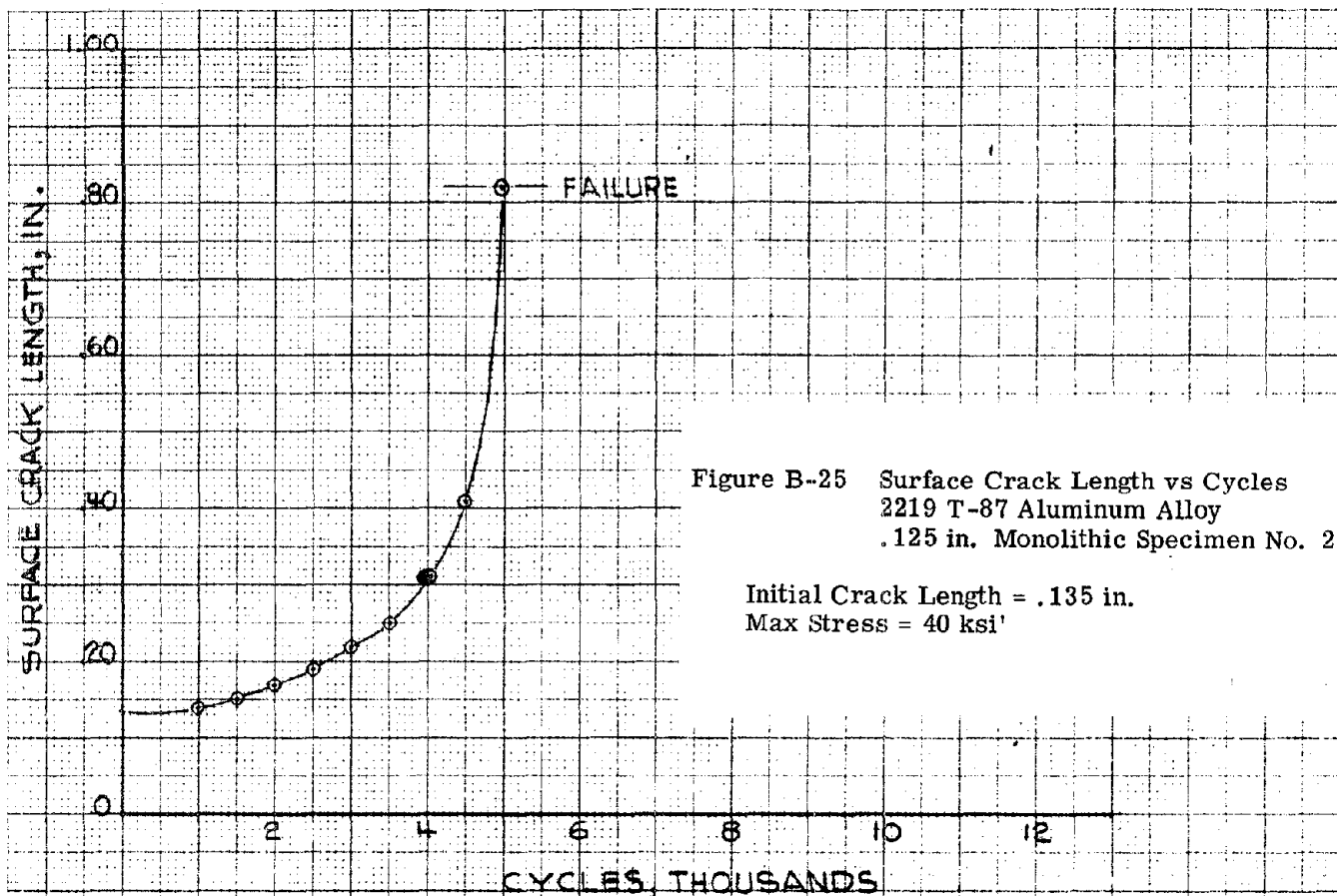




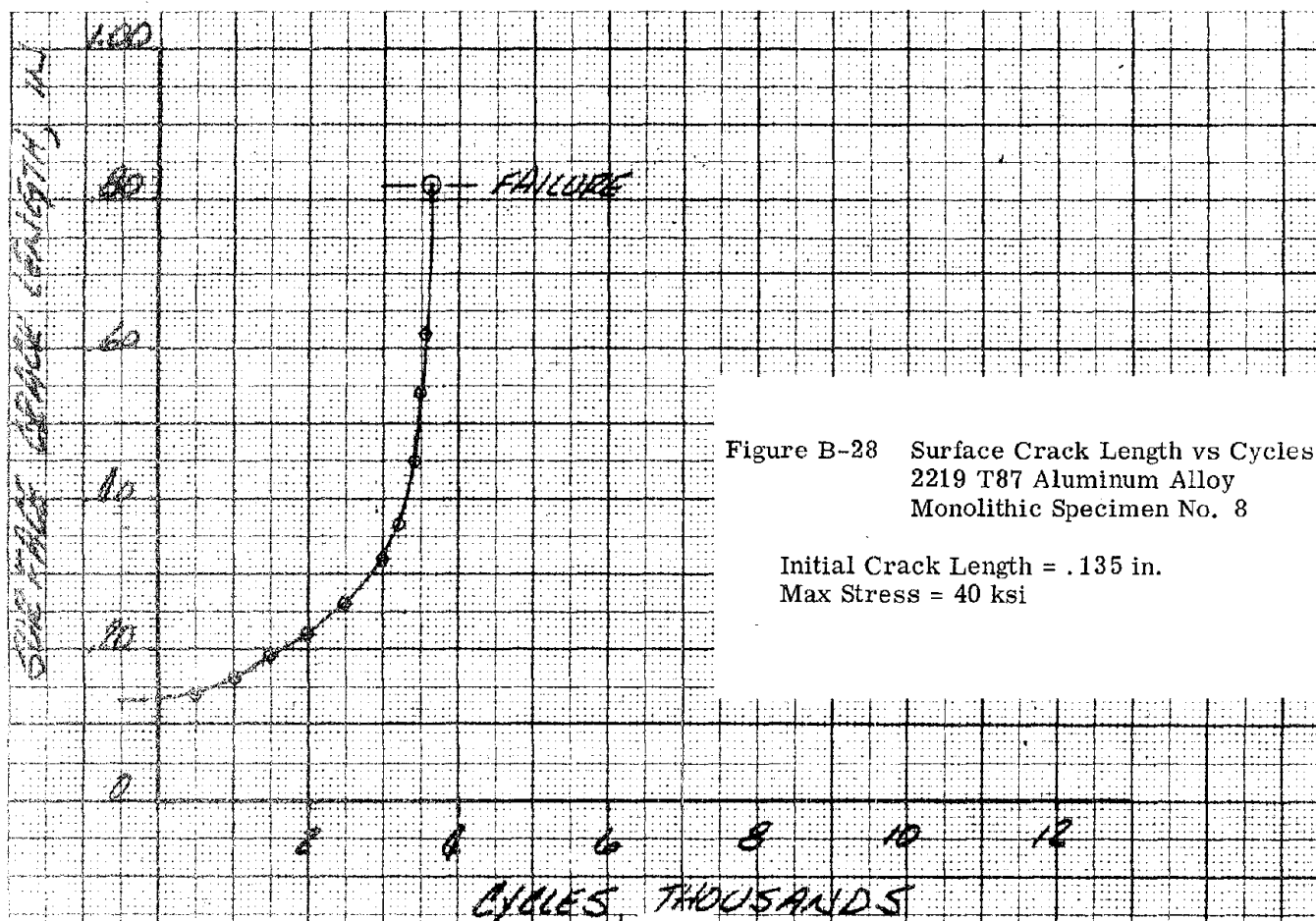
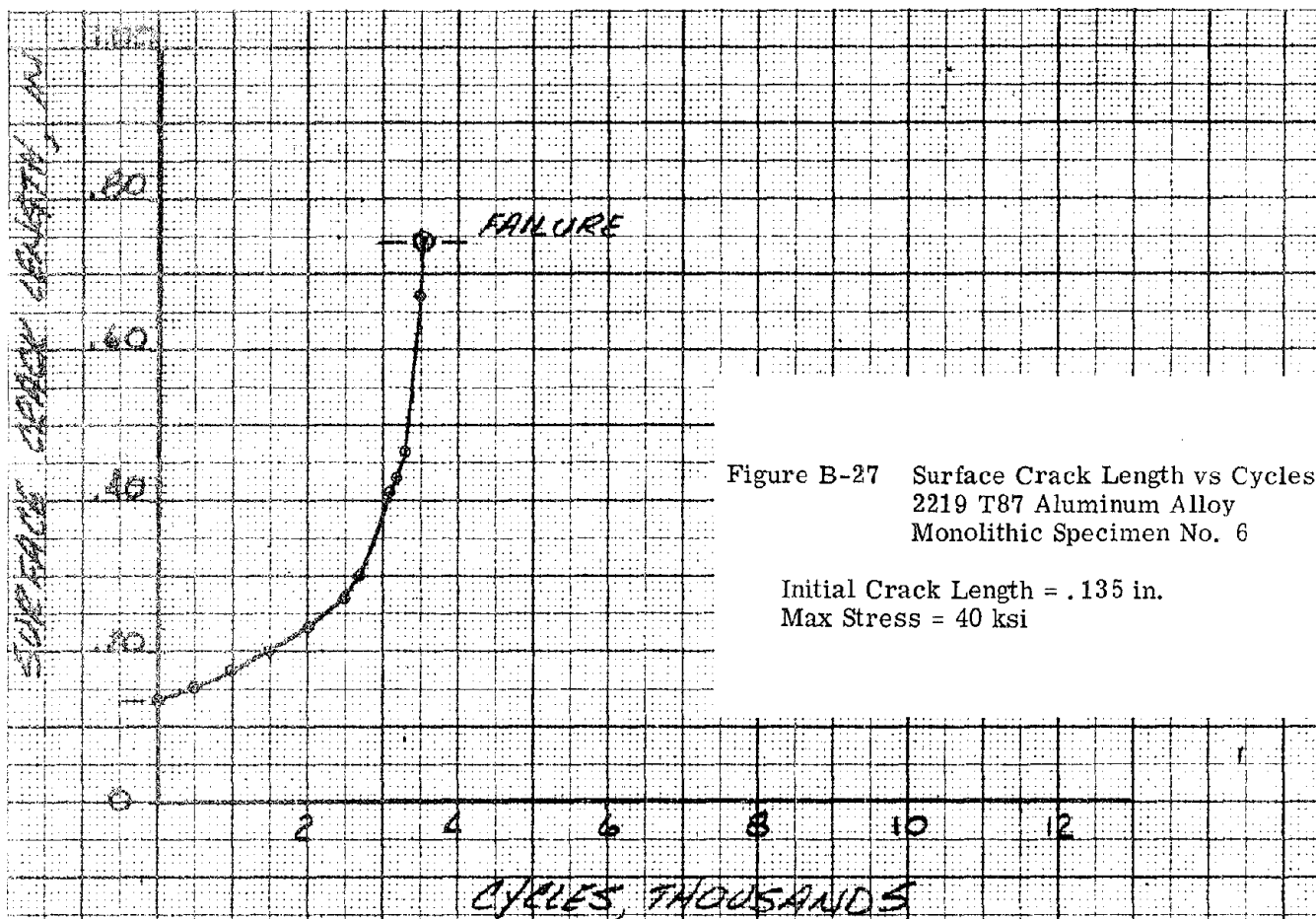
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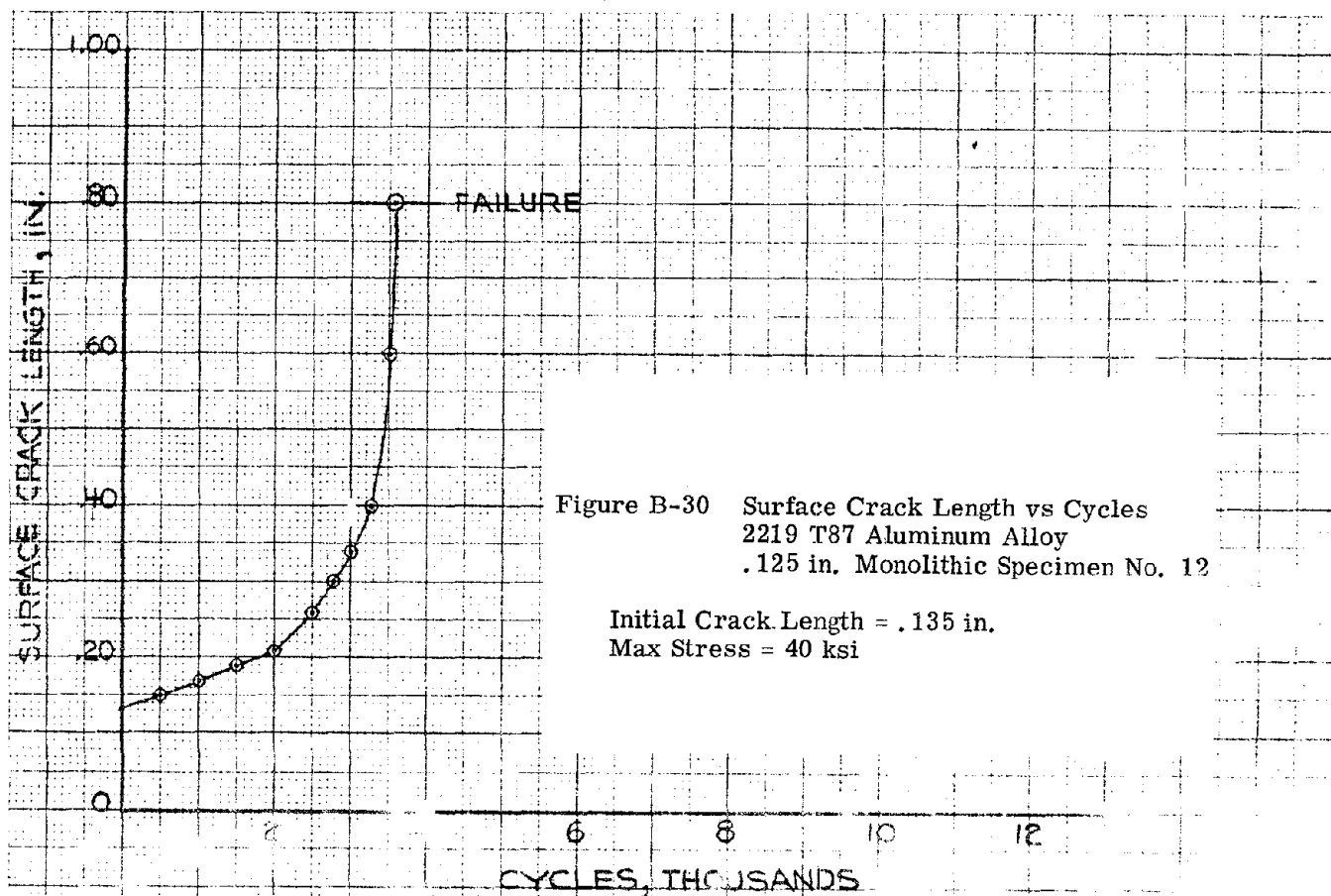
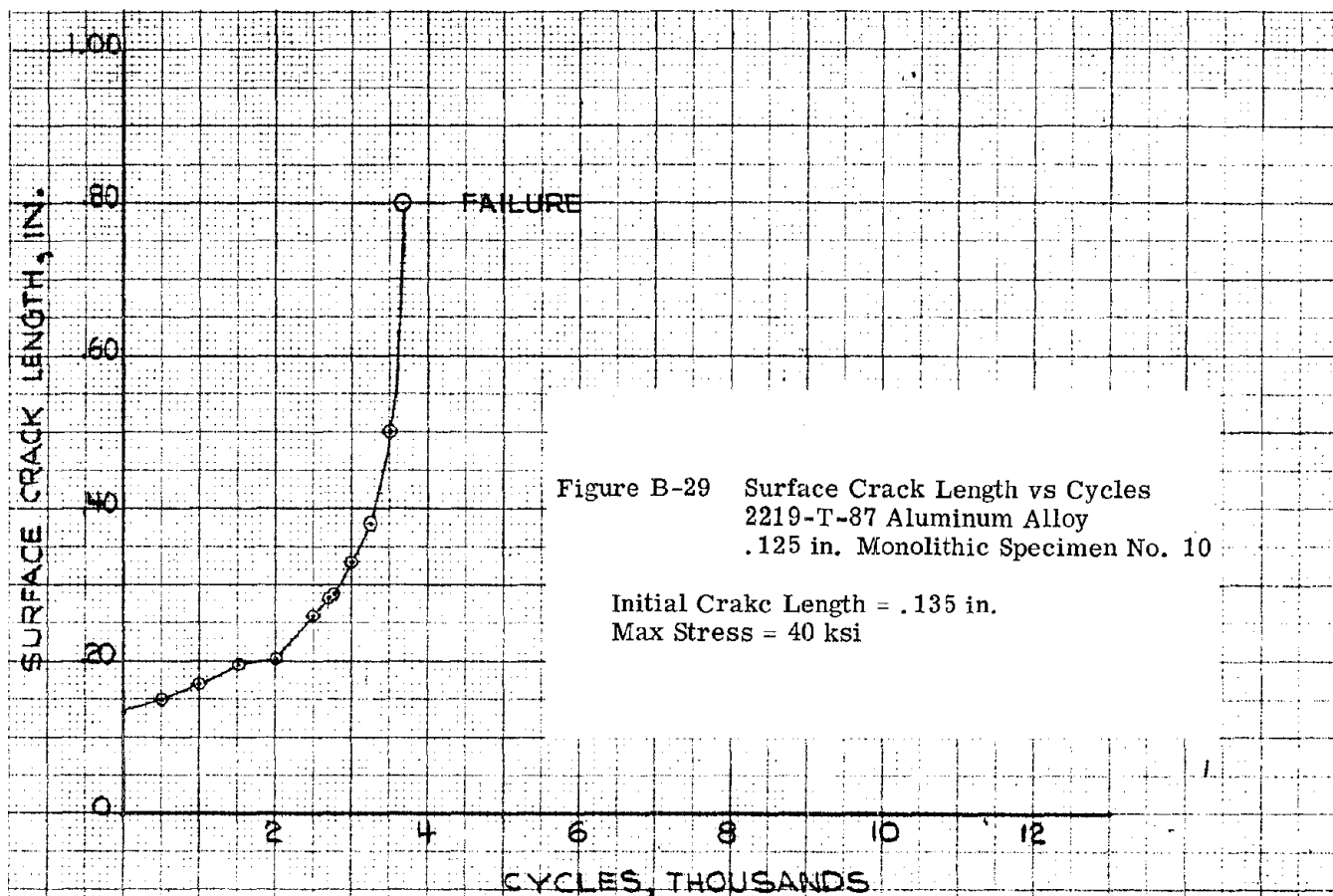
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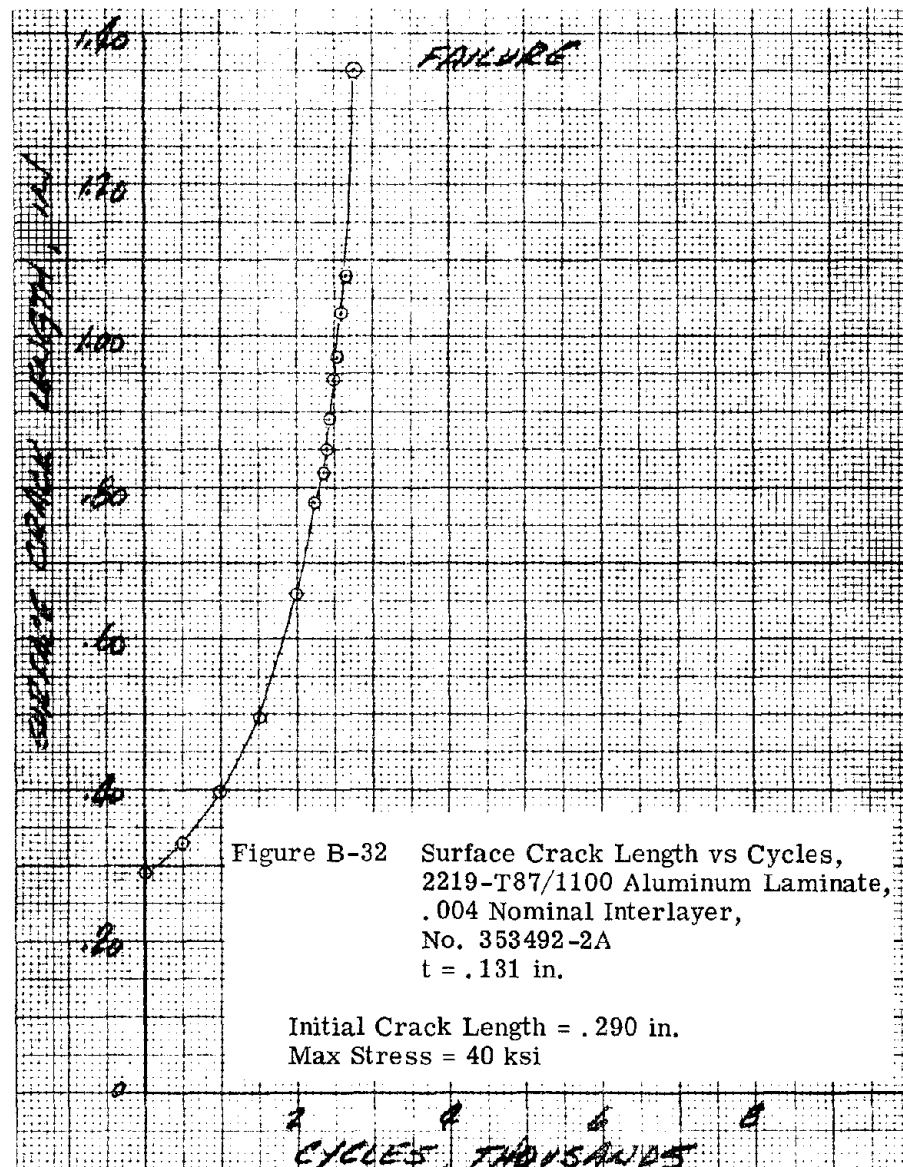
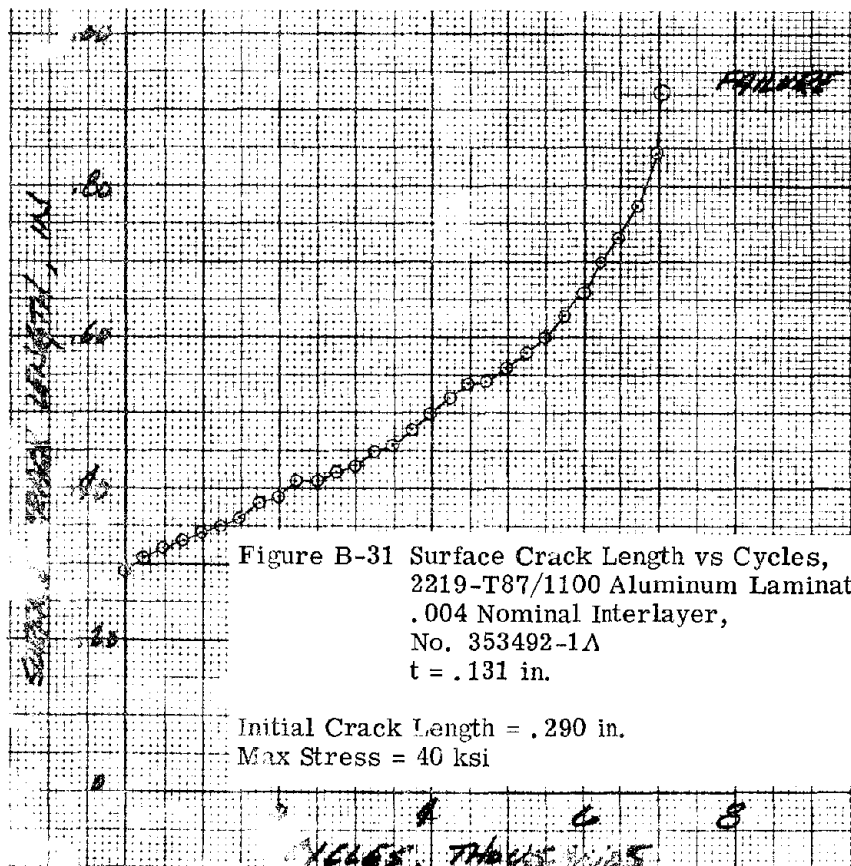


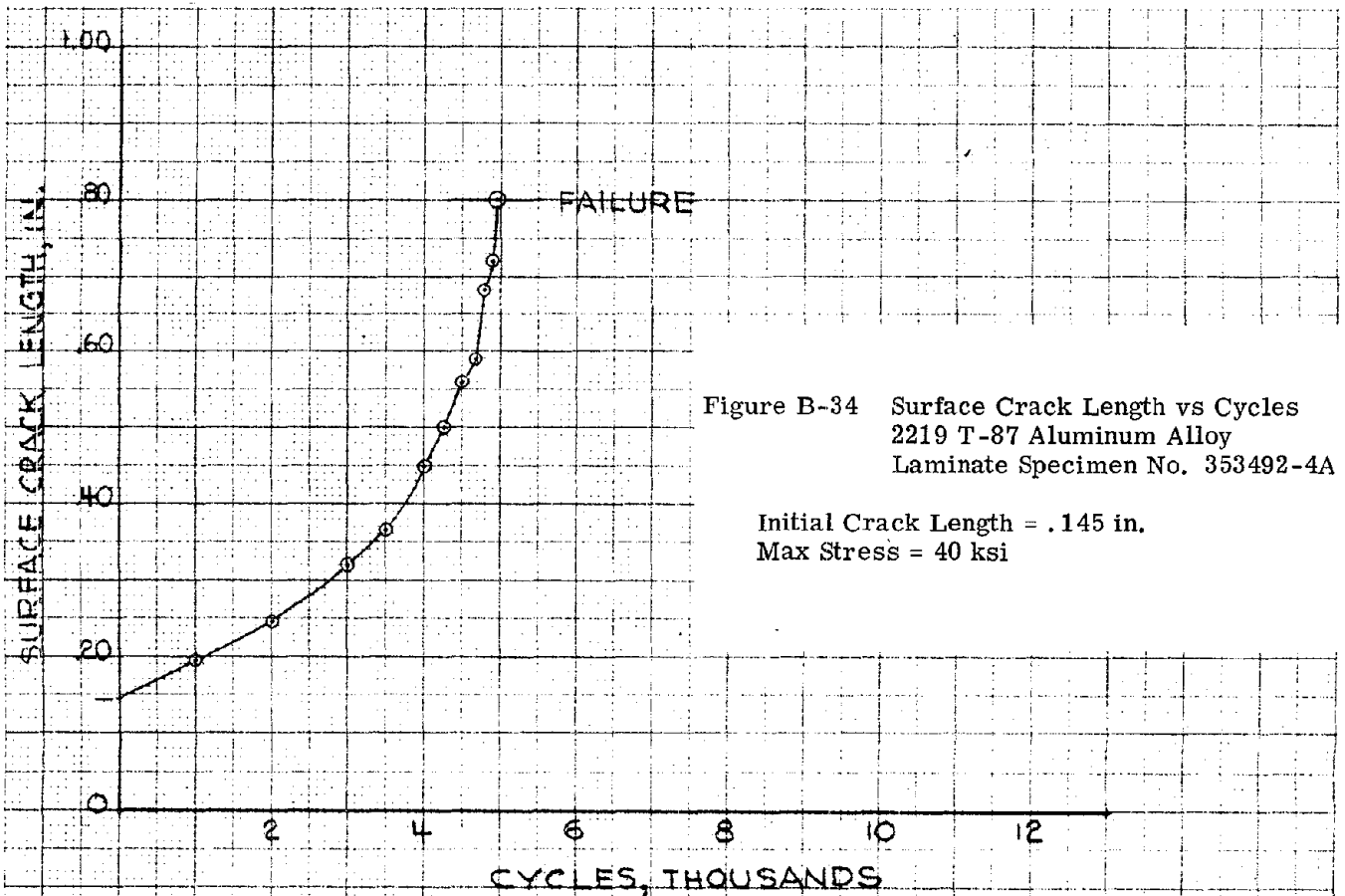
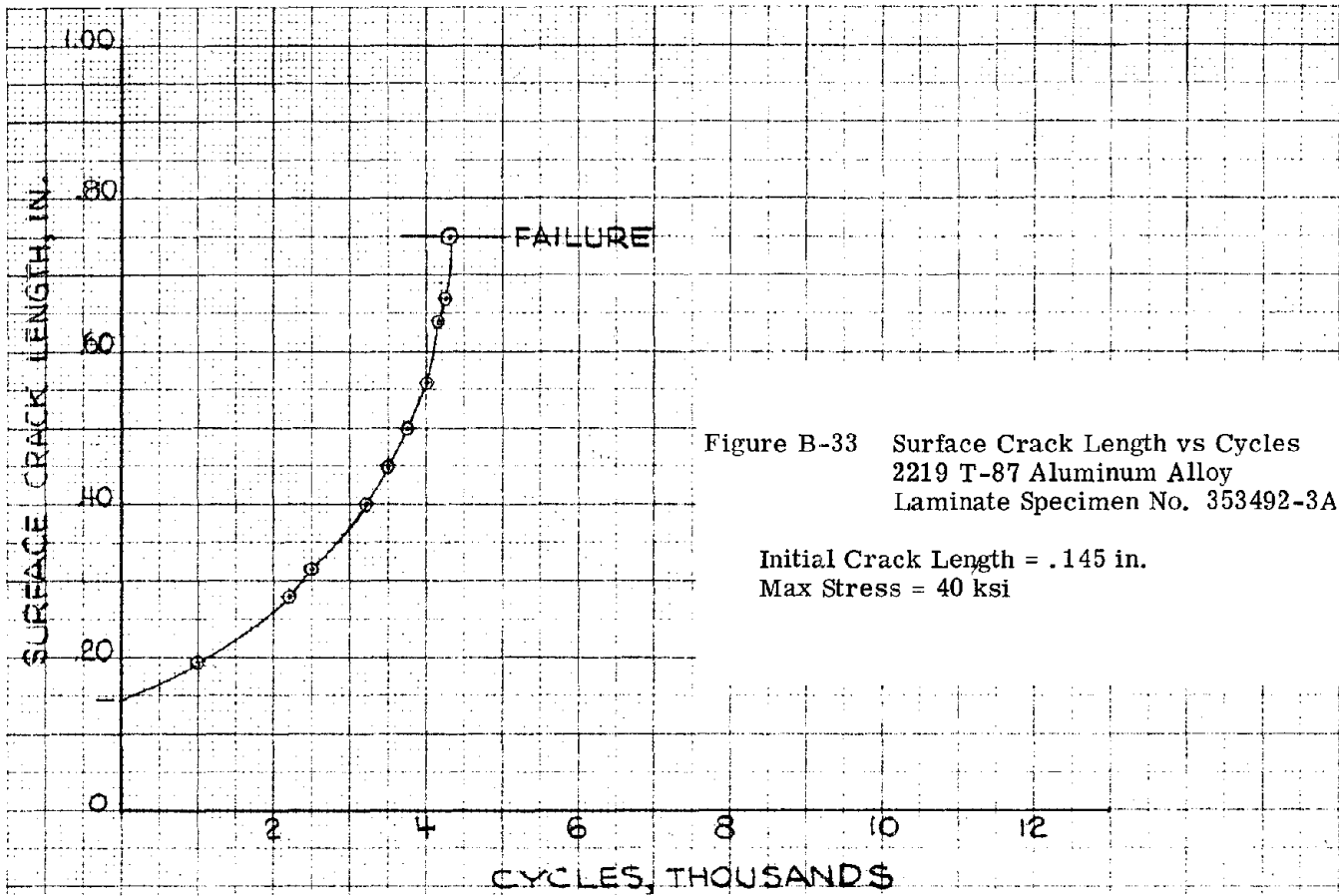


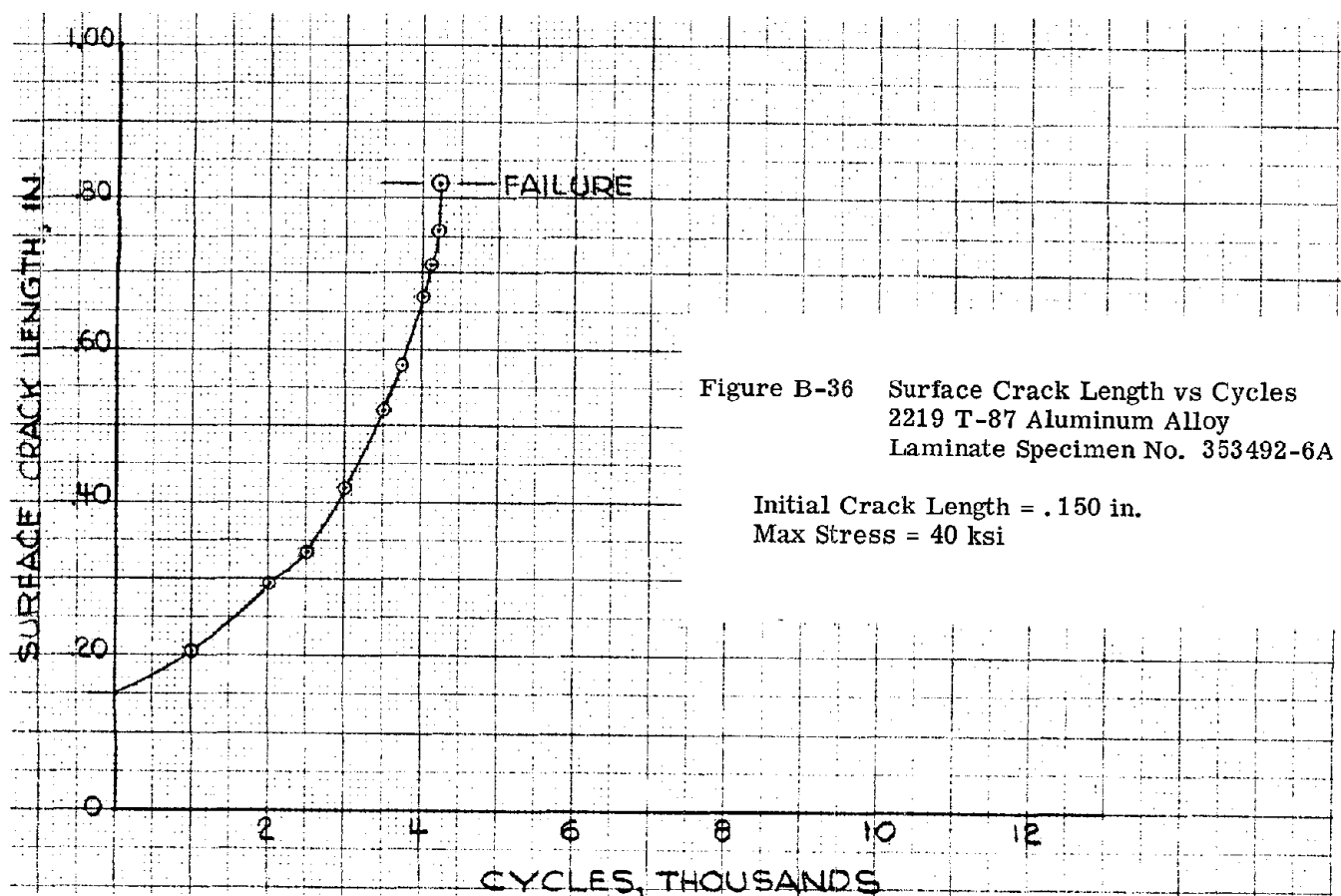
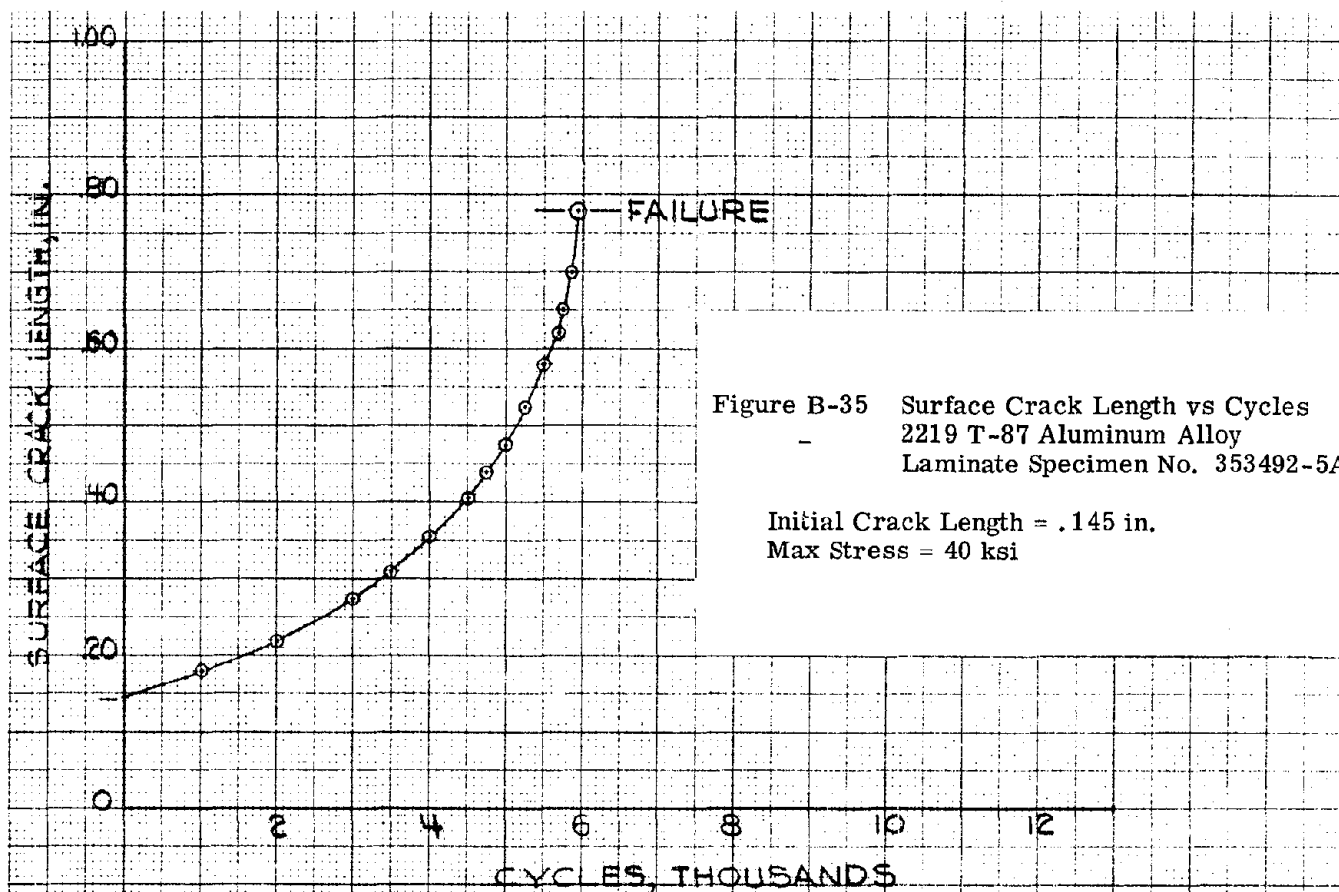


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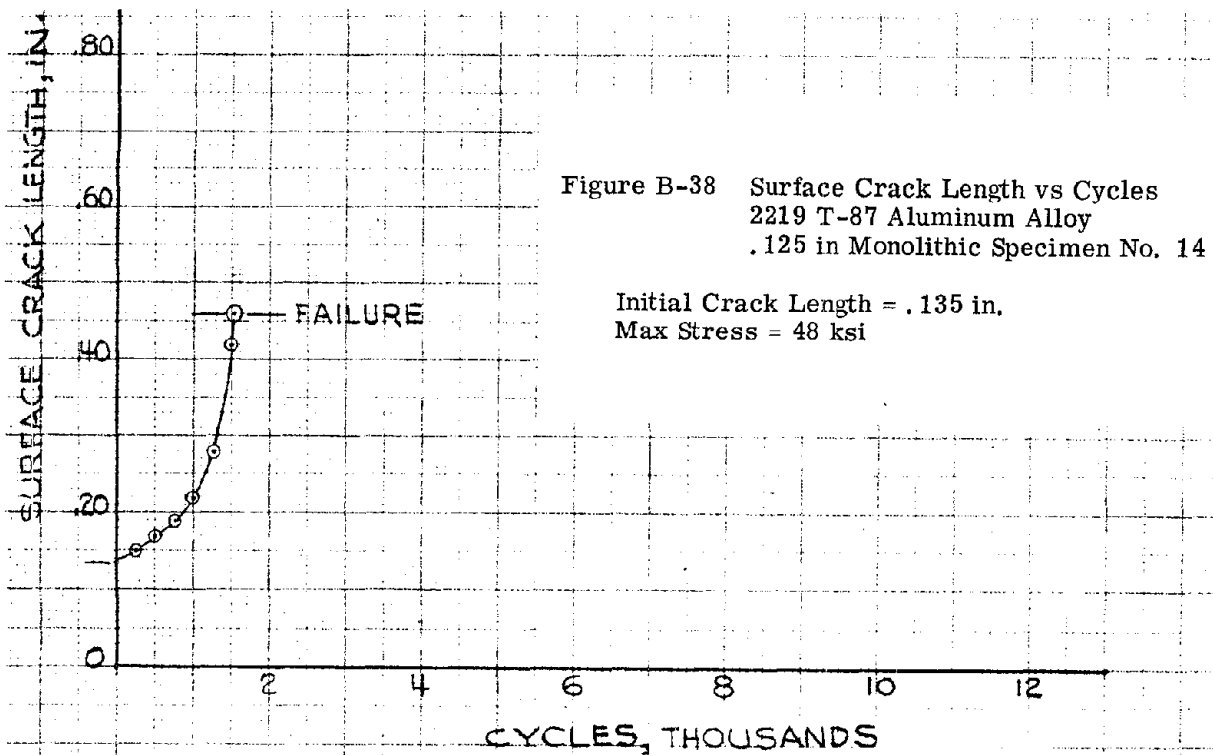
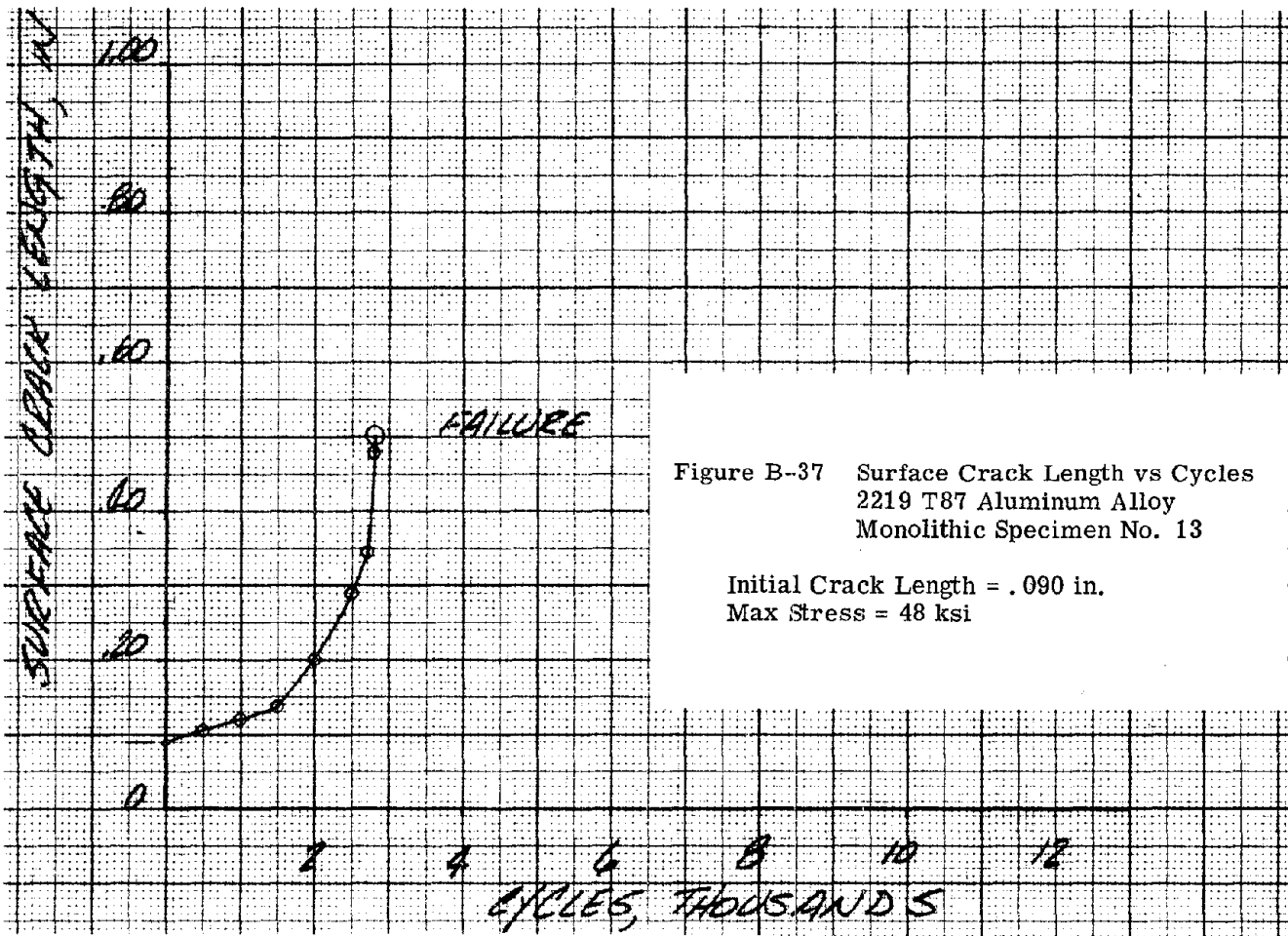


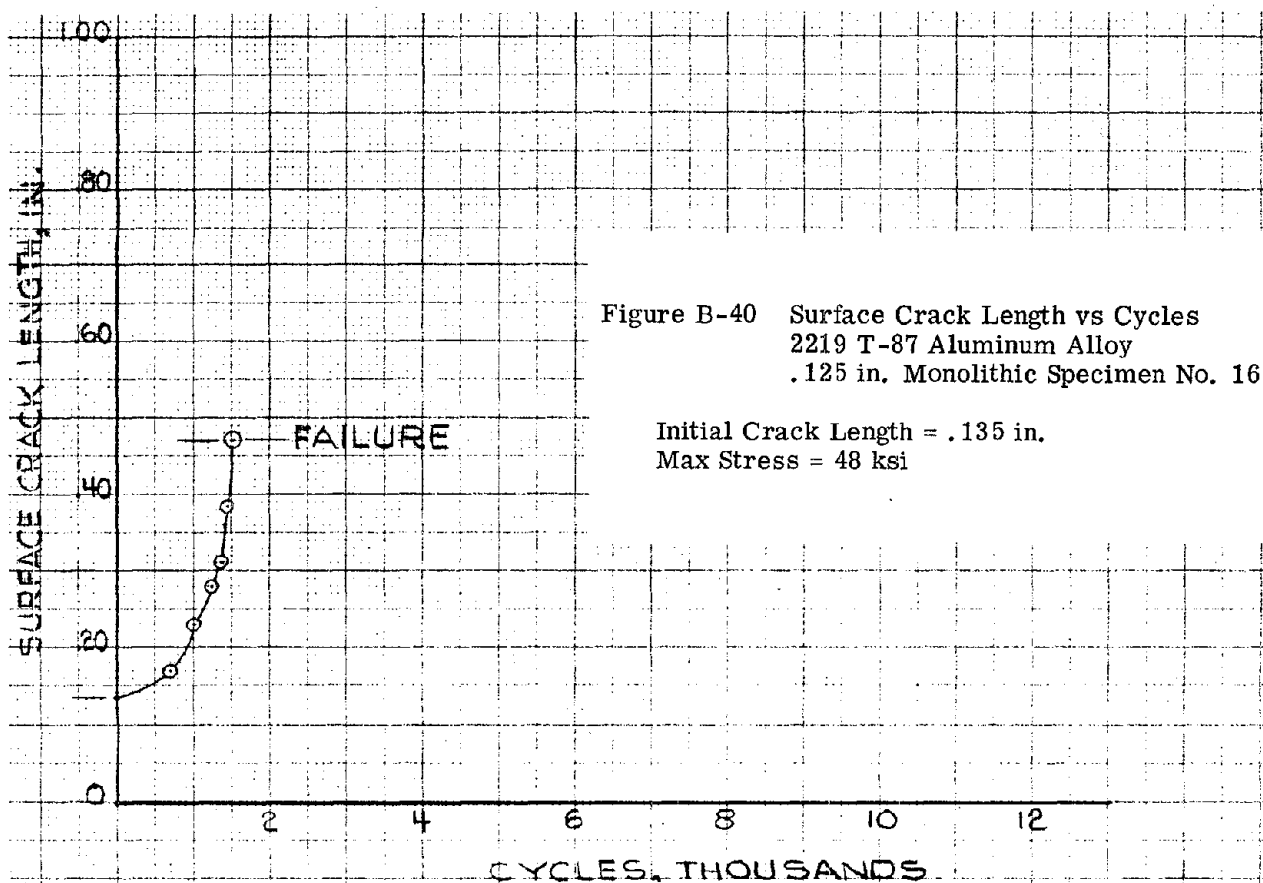
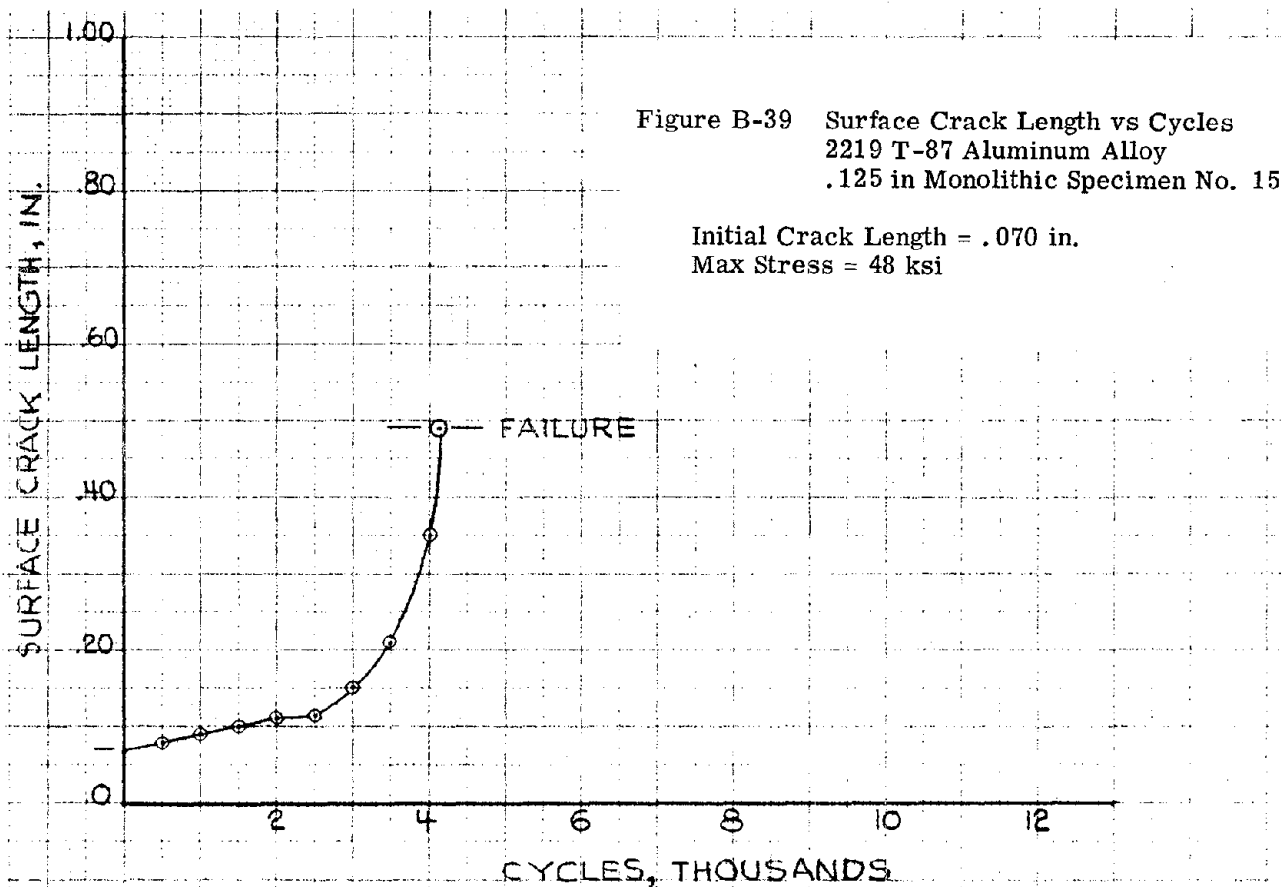




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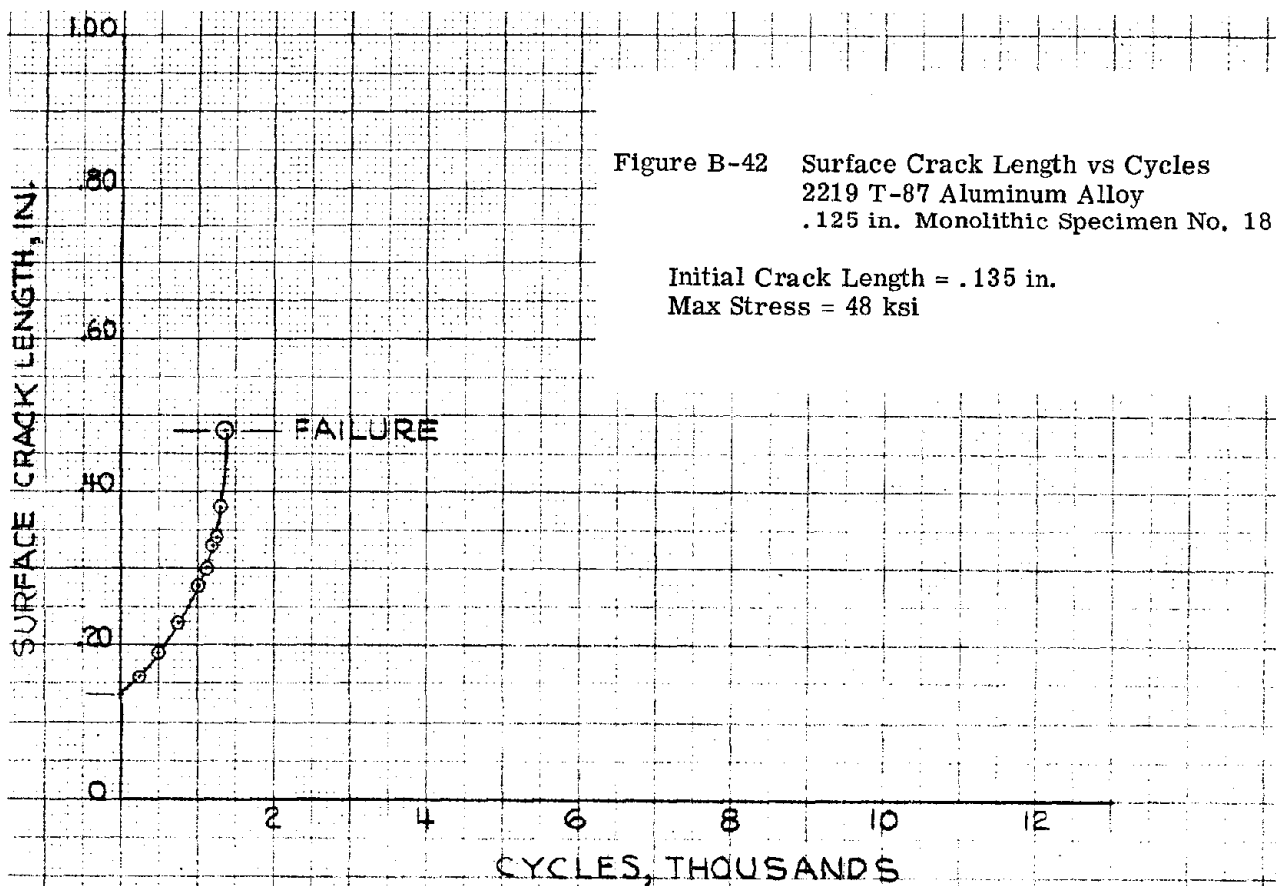
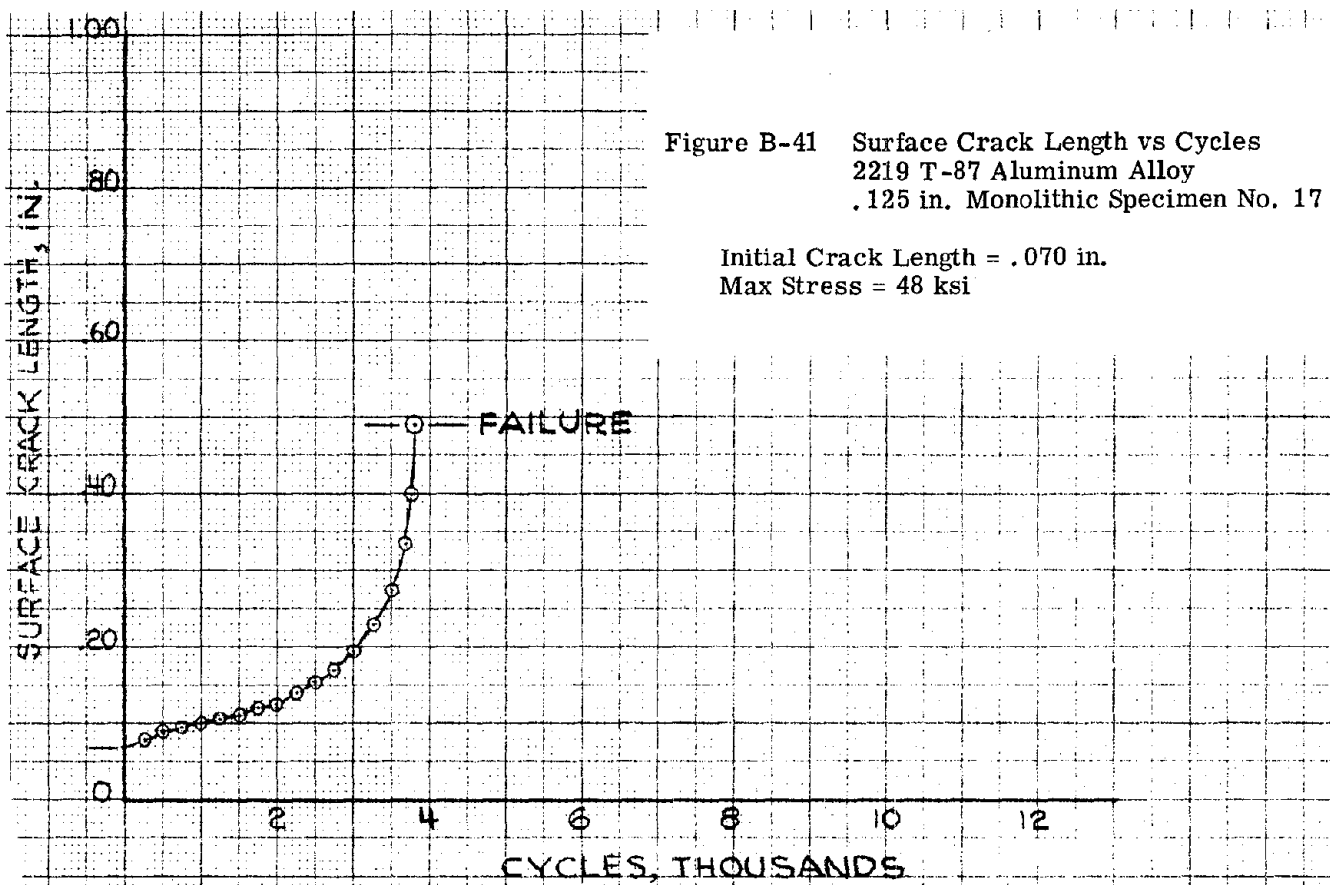
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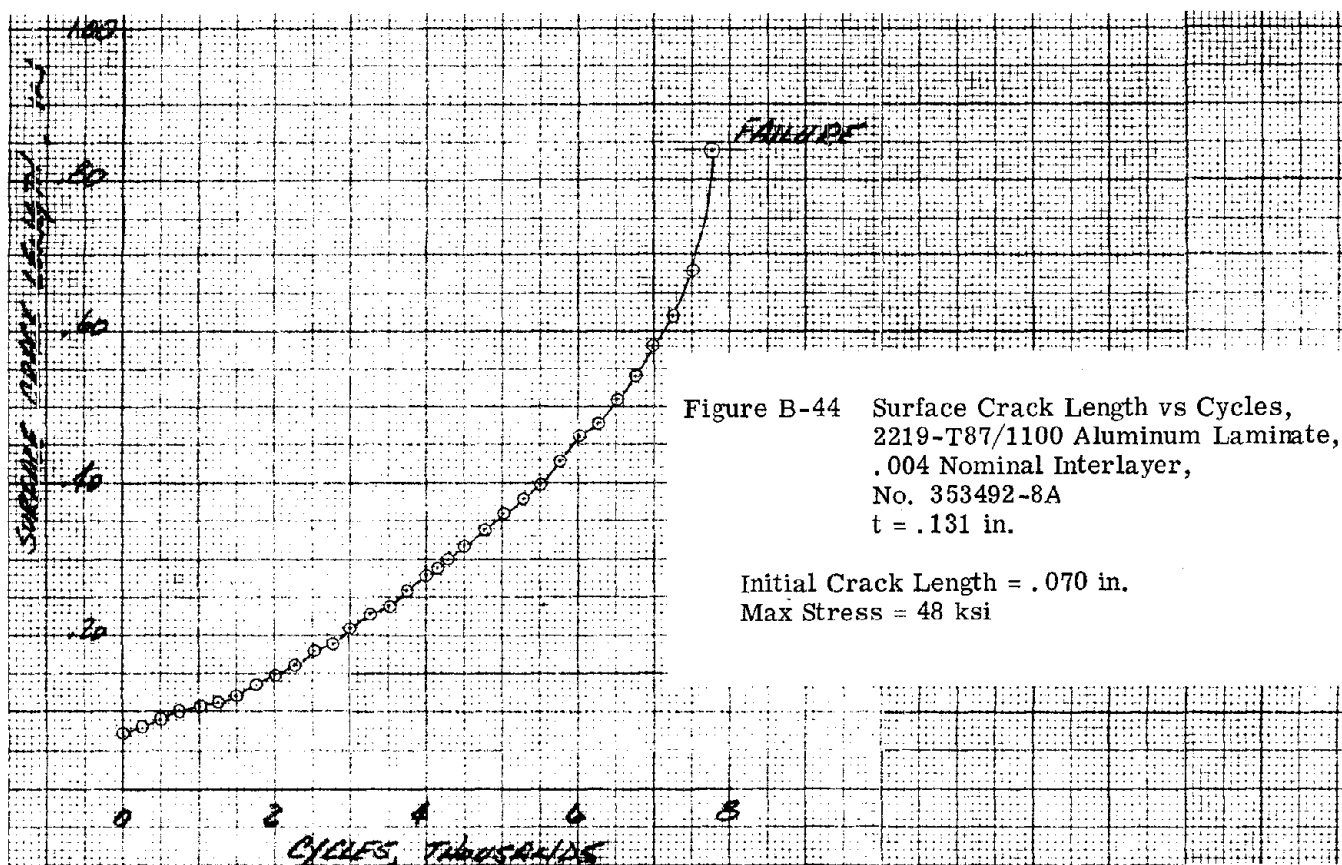
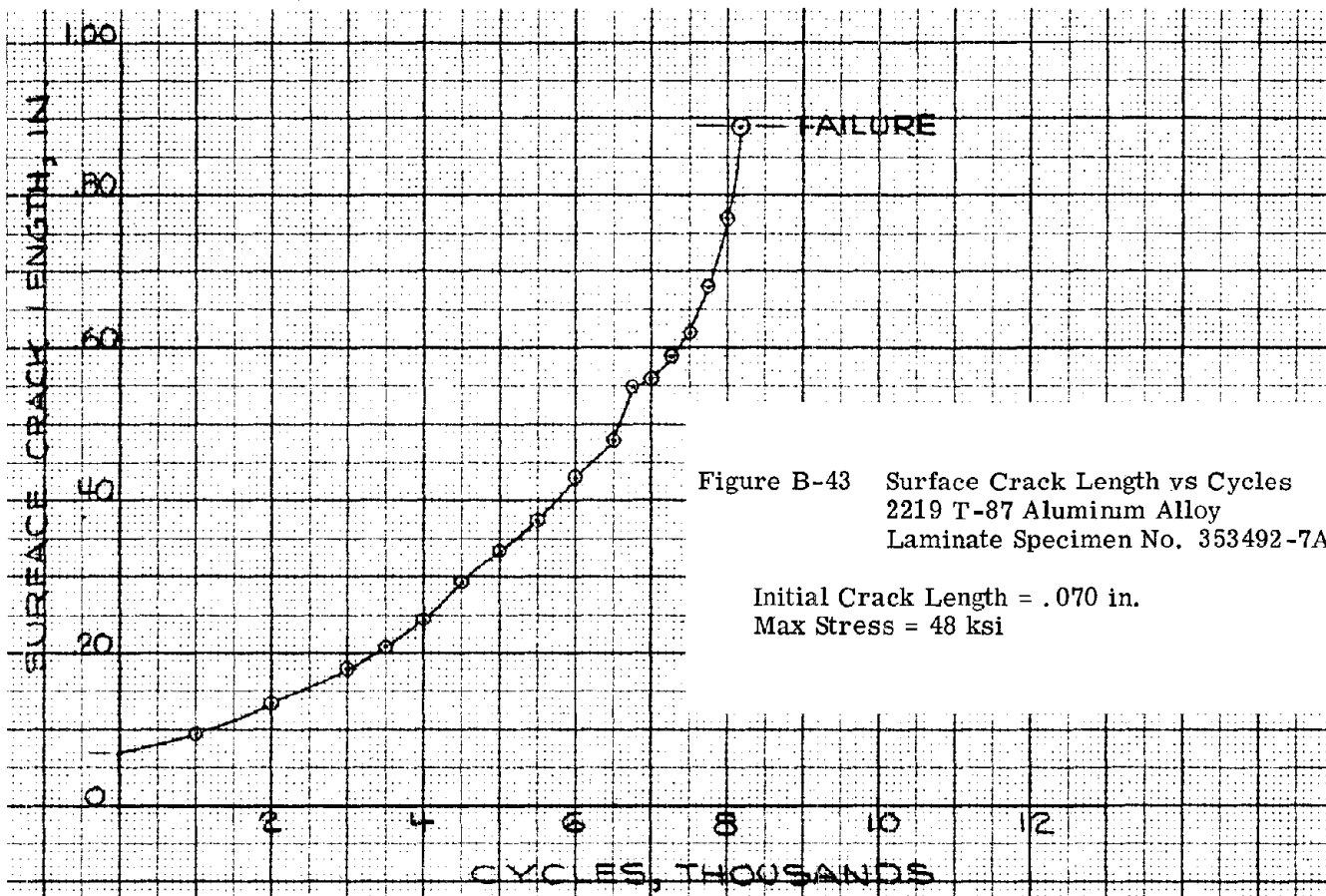


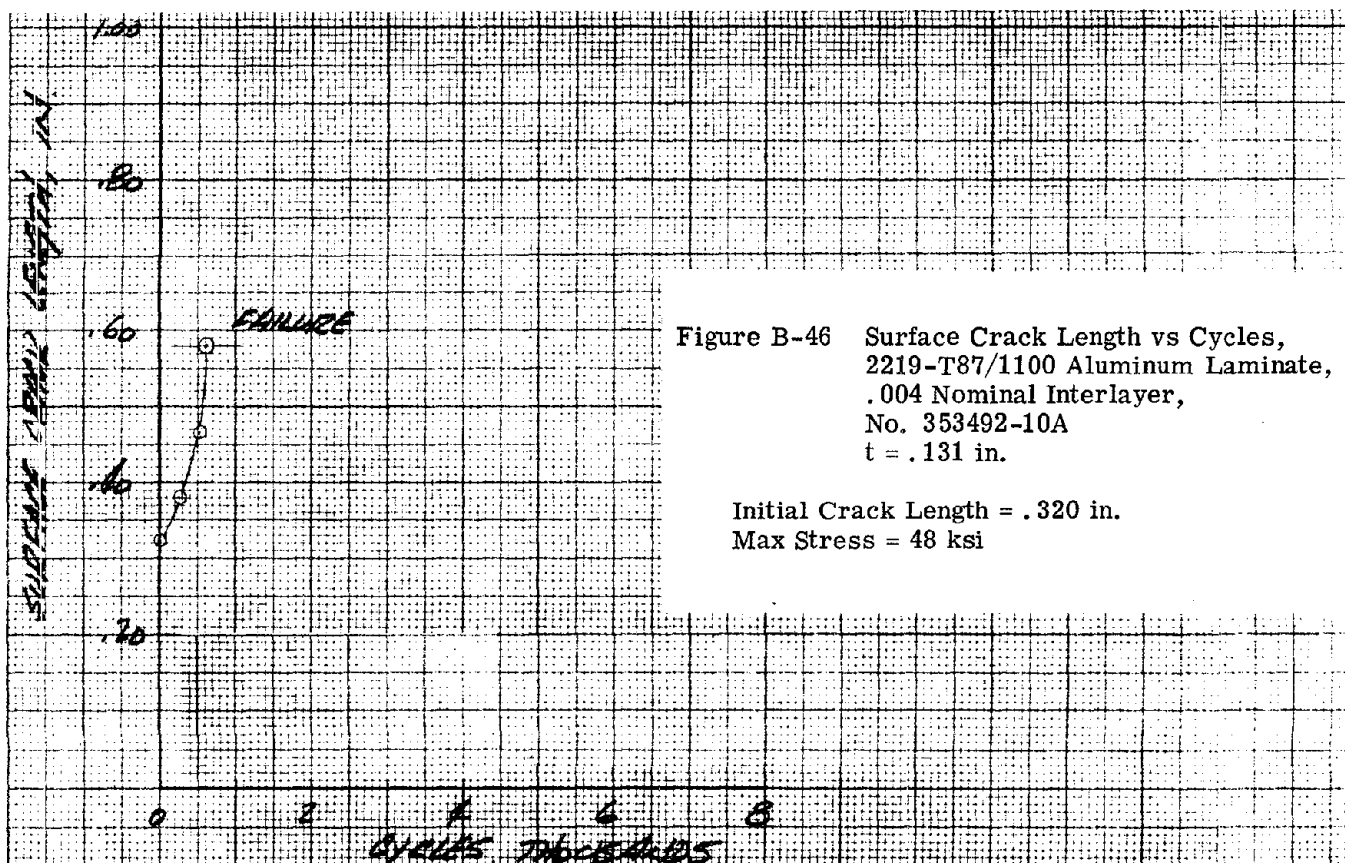
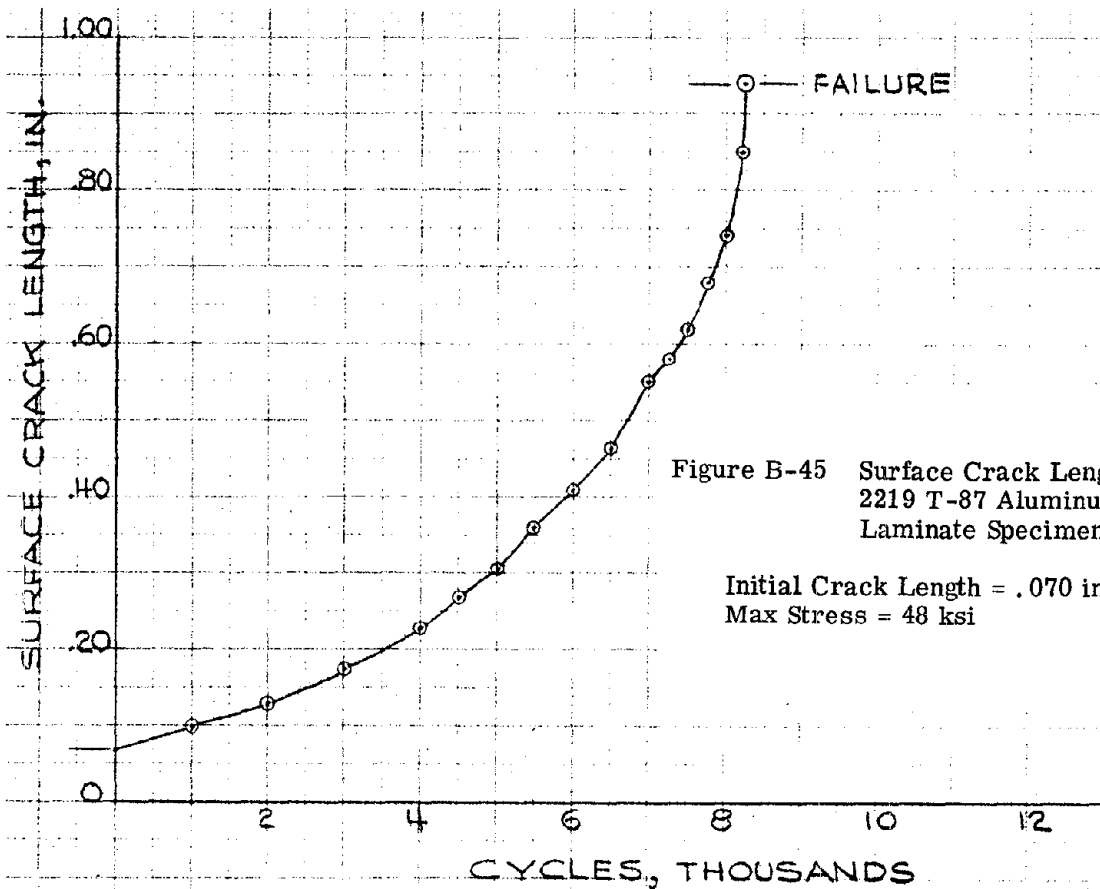


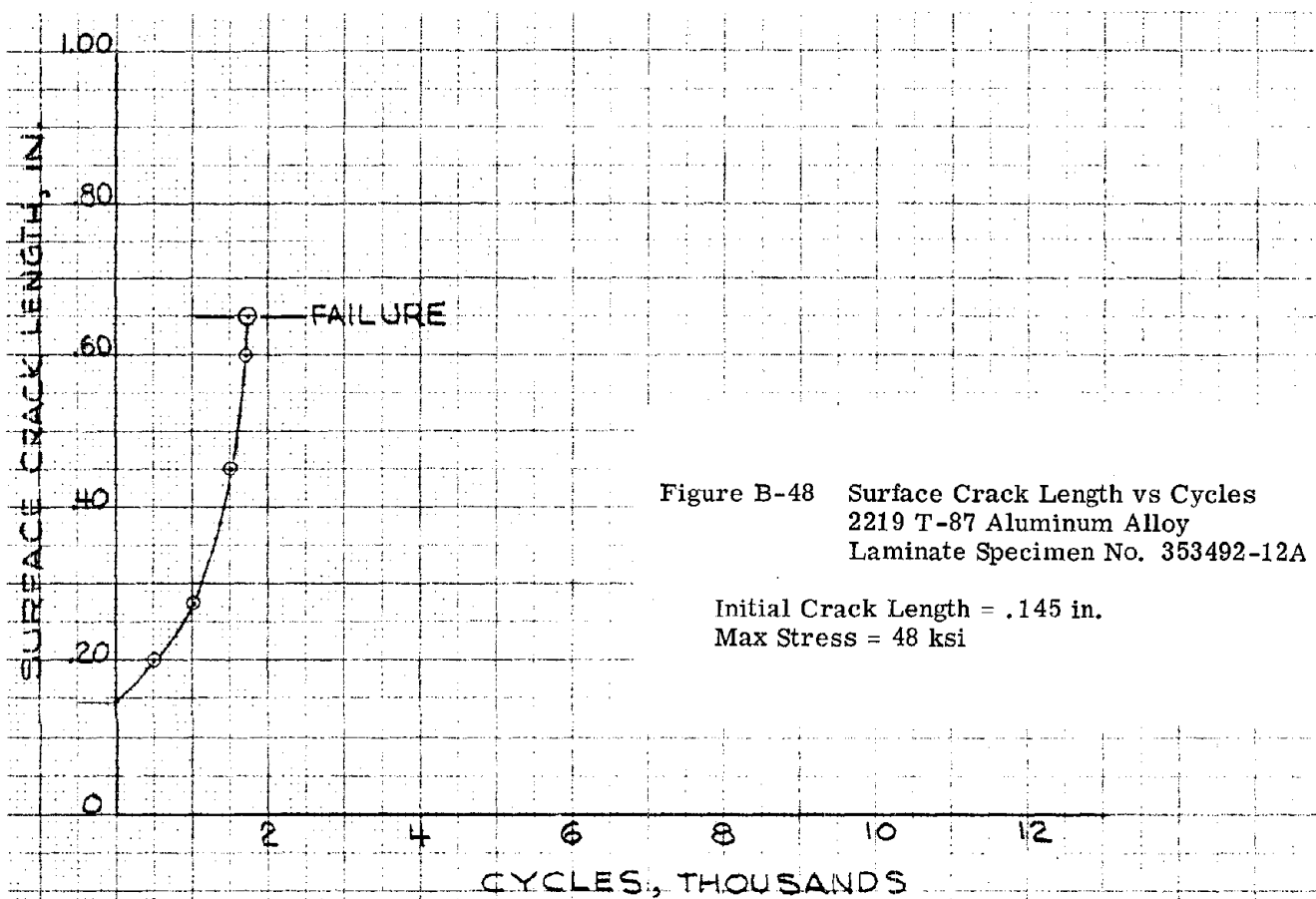
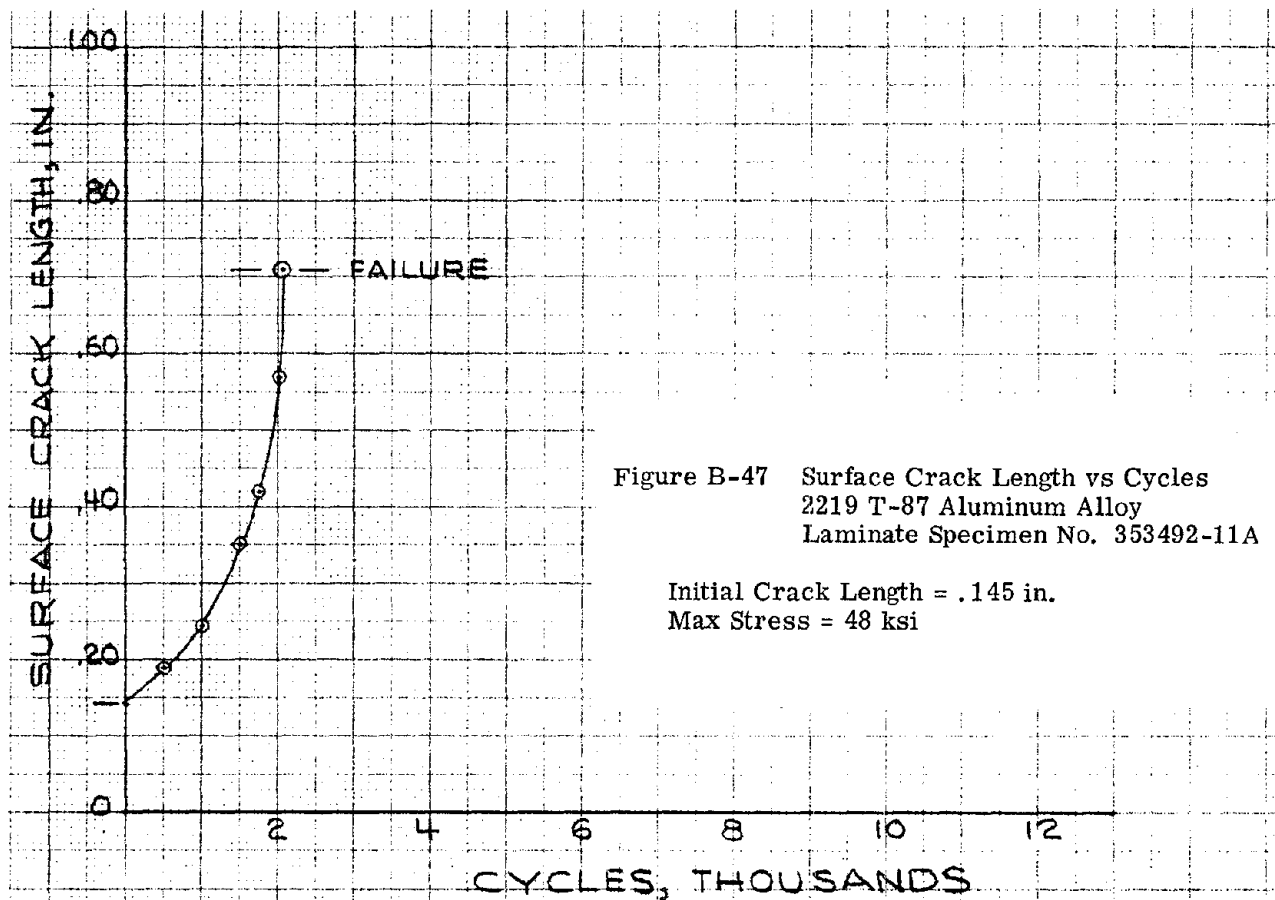
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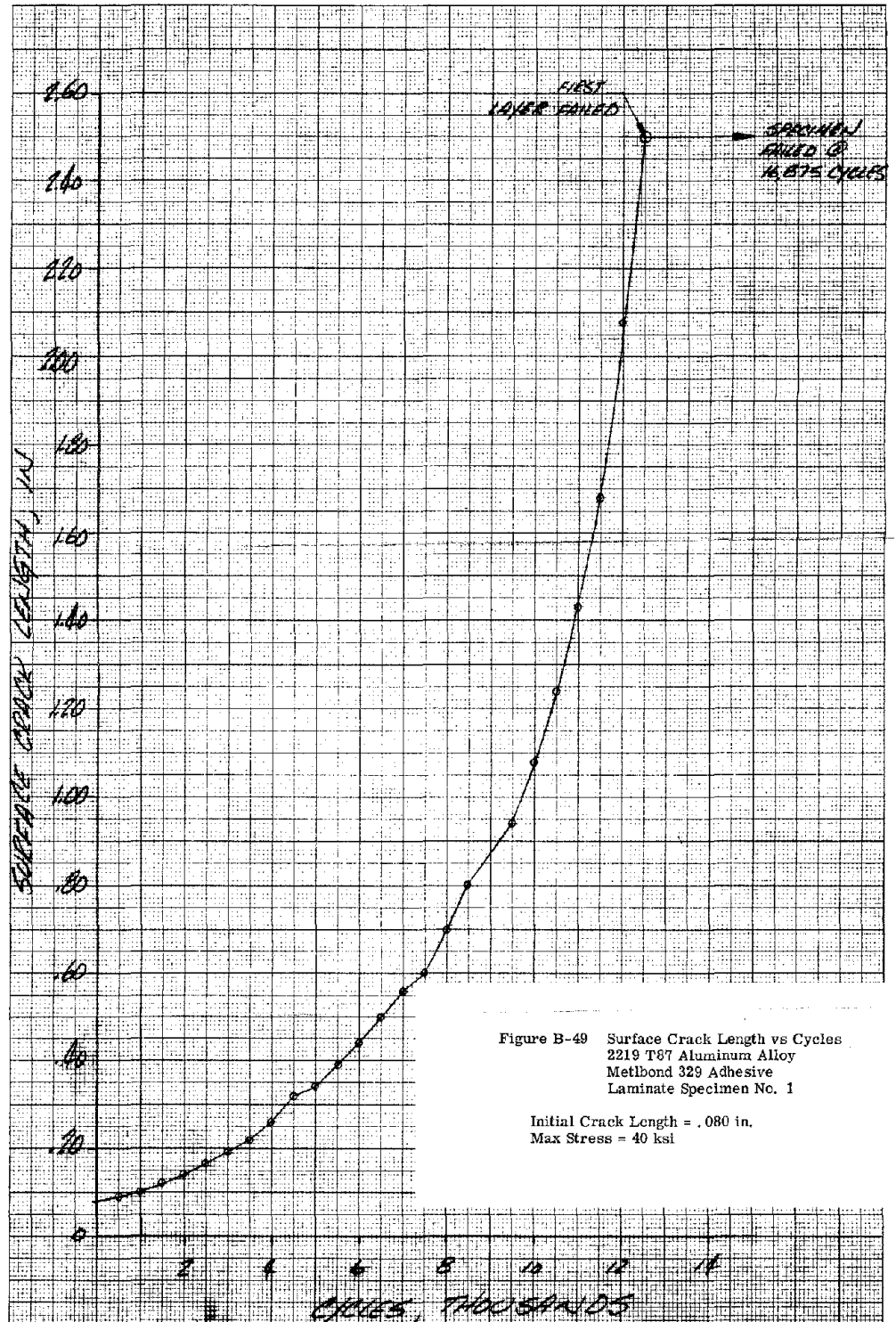


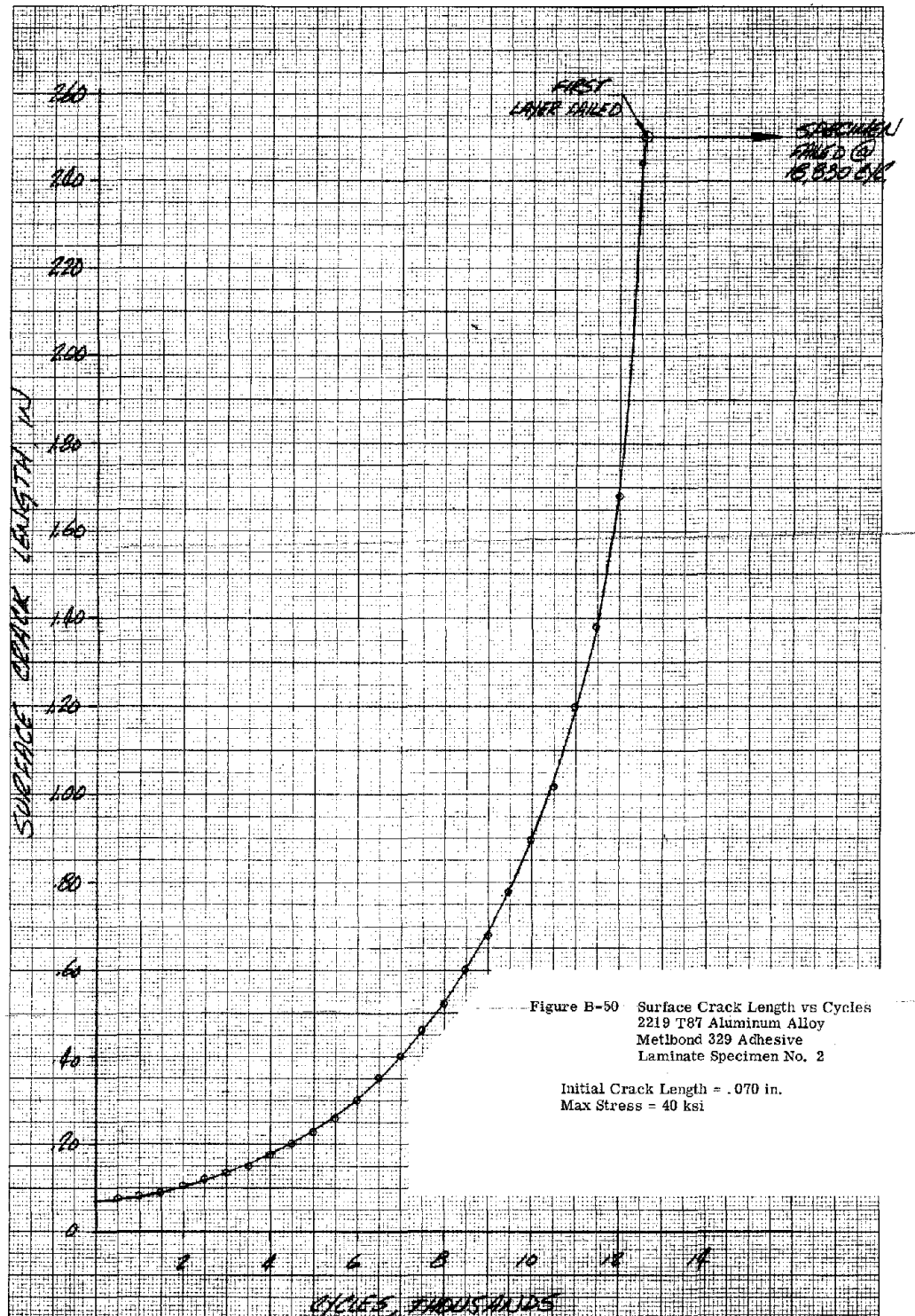
Figure B-49 Surface Crack Length vs Cycles  
 2219 T87 Aluminum Alloy  
 Metlbond 329 Adhesive  
 Laminate Specimen No. 1

Initial Crack Length = .080 in.  
 Max Stress = 40 ksi

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FOLODOUT FRAME 2

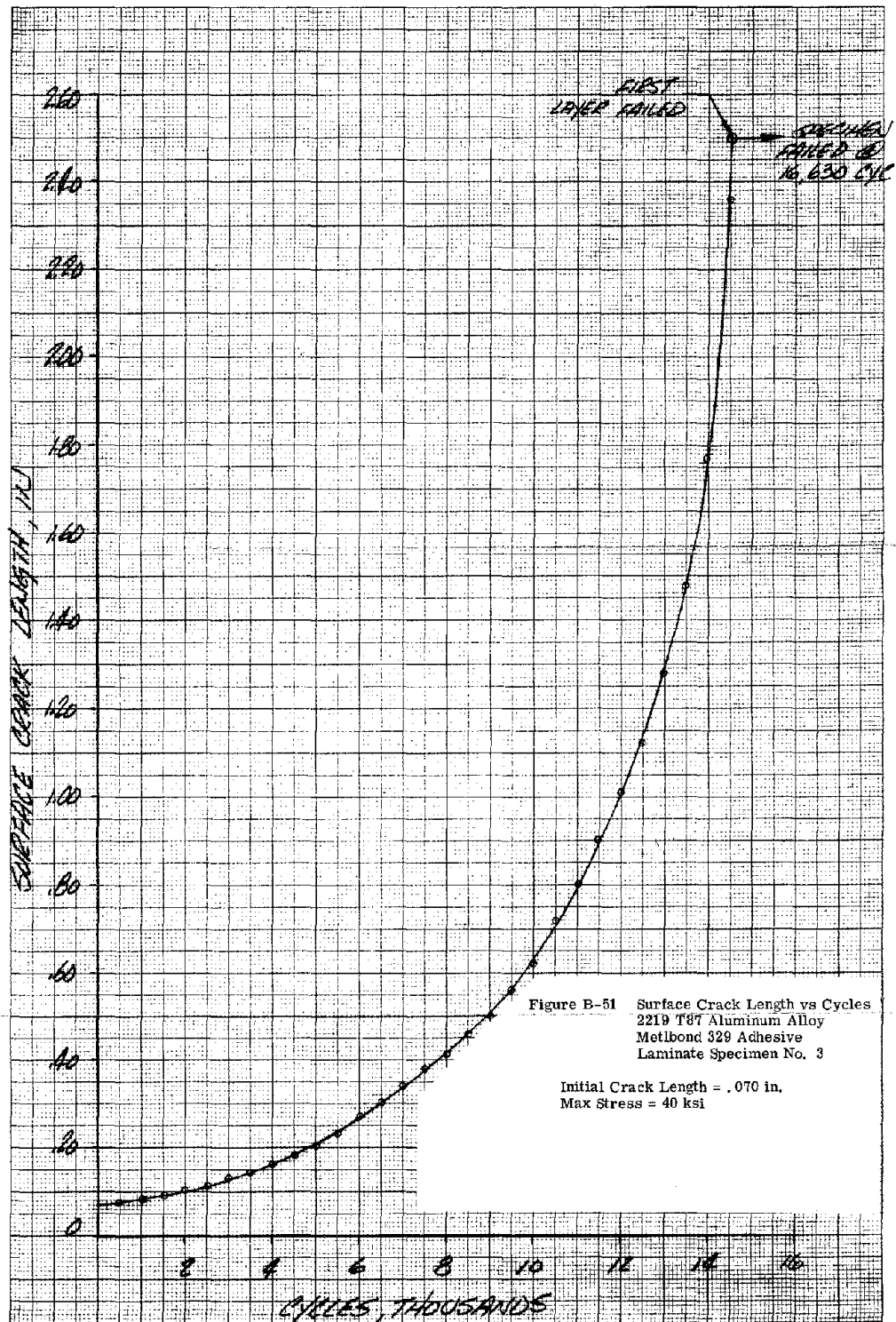
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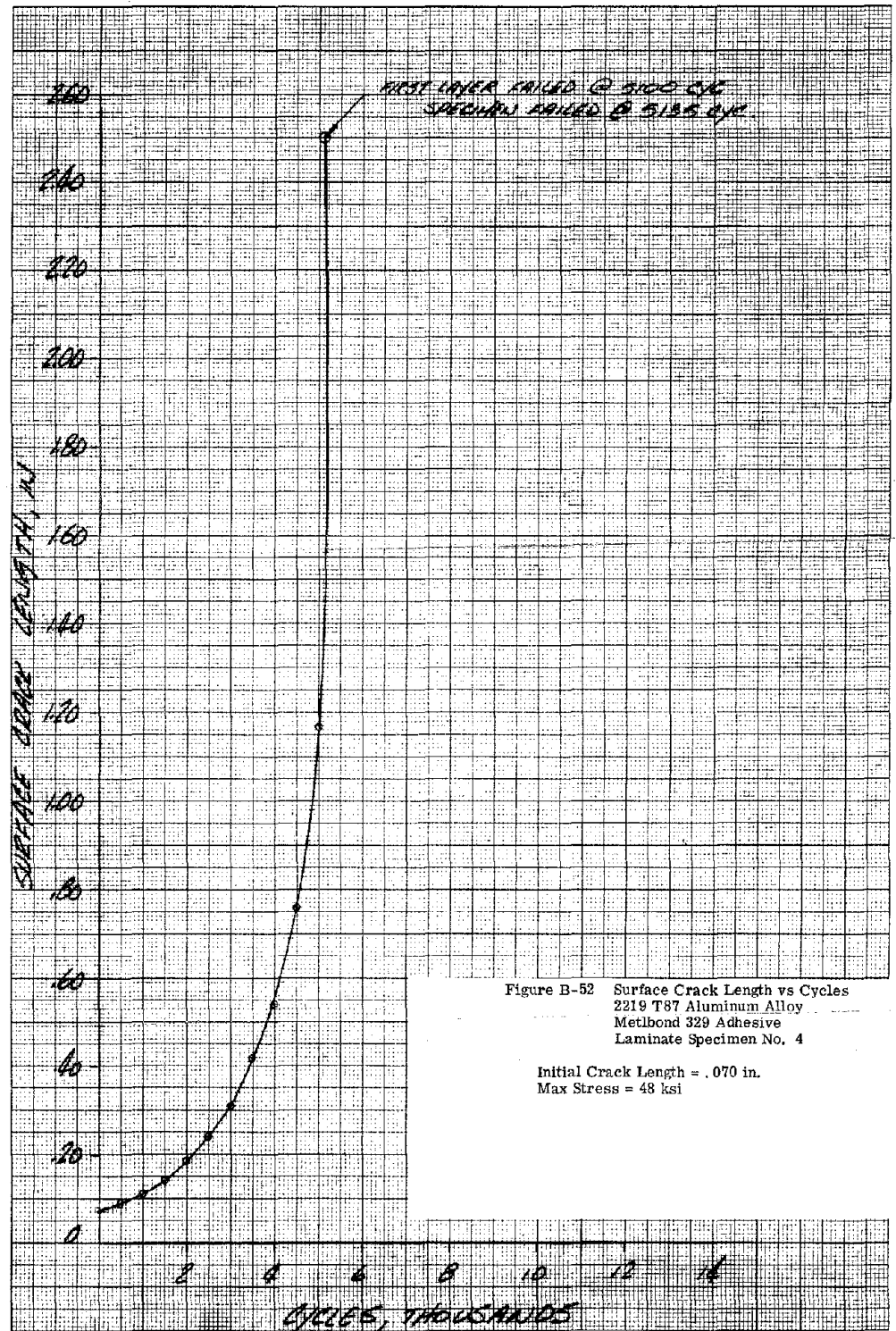


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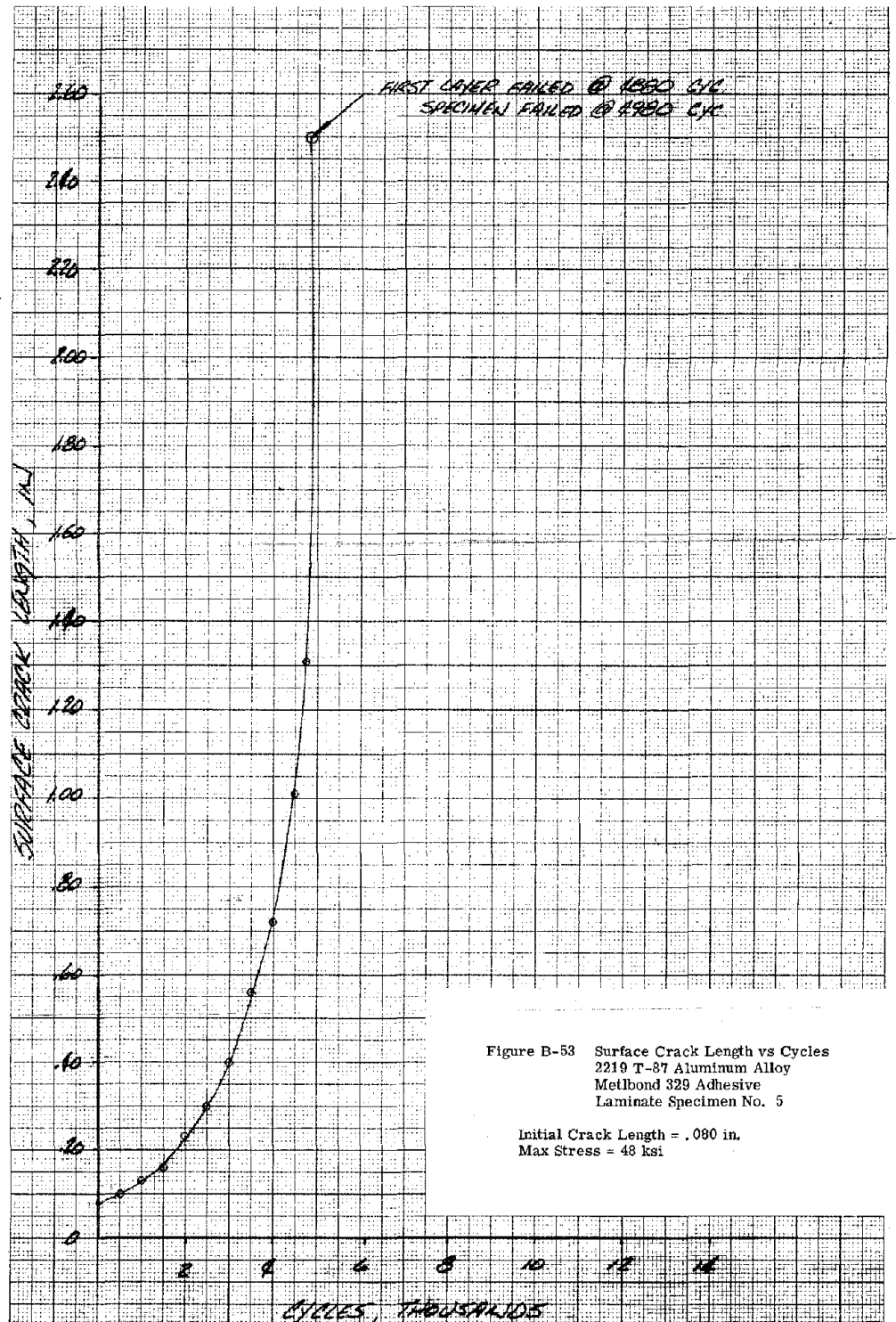
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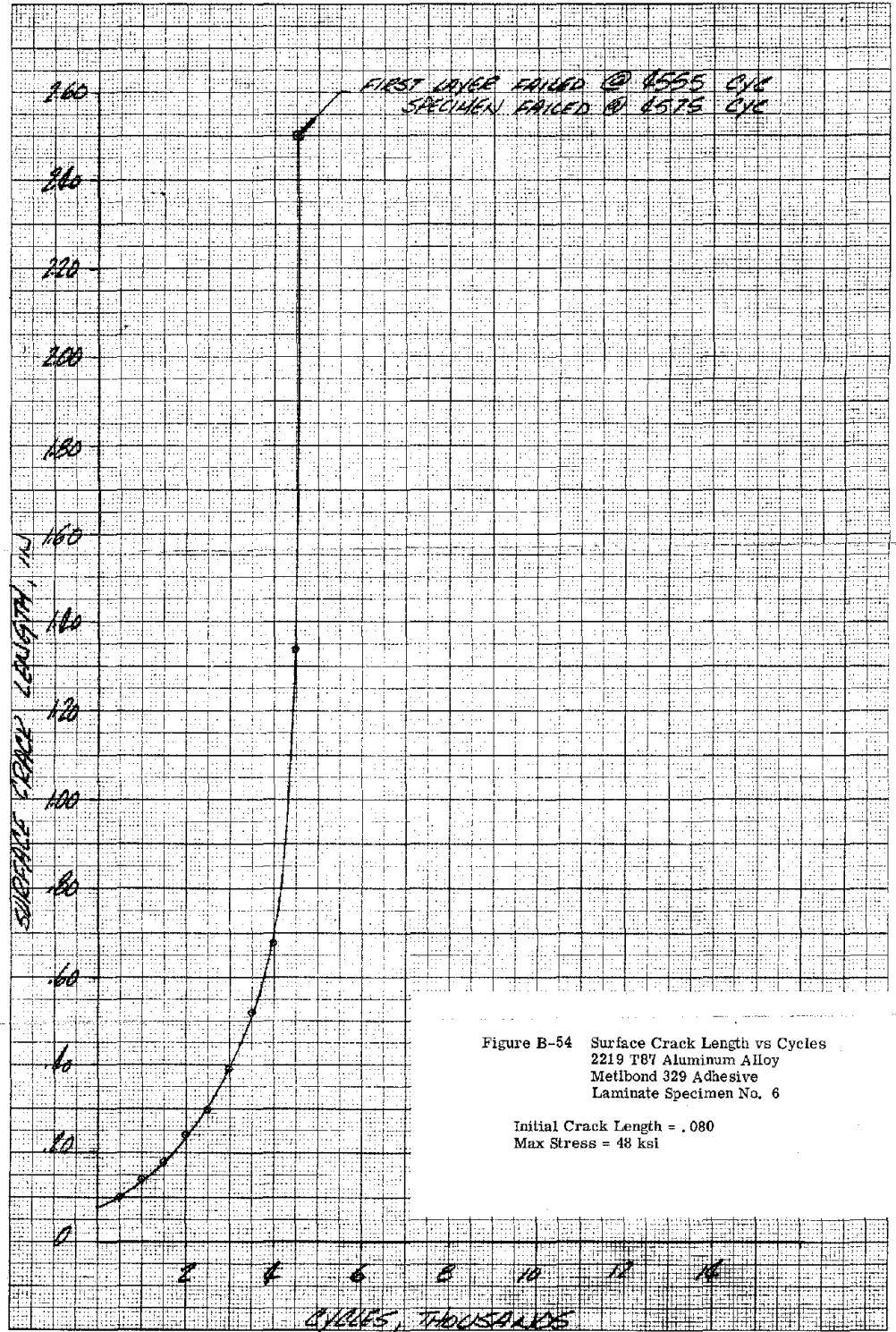


Figure B-54 Surface Crack Length vs Cycles  
2219 T87 Aluminum Alloy  
Metlbond 329 Adhesive  
Laminate Specimen No. 6

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FOLOOUT FRAME